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Officers of the Association:

MODERATOR: James Smith, Lexington, N. C.

CLERK: Elder Henry Sheets, Lexington, N. C.

TREASURER: S. H. Averitt, Thomasville, N. C.

Time Place and Preacher For Next Session:

The next session of Liberty Association will meet with the church at Lick Creek, on Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1902. Introductory sermon by Elder Henry Sheets. Alternate: Elder Jeff Lanning

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List of Ordained Ministers in Liberty Association, Aug. 1901.

Adderton, W. S.....Denton, N. C.
Boone, J. B.....Thomasville, N. C.
Carrick, Thos.....High Point, N. C.
Harris, Lee W.....El Dorado, N. C.
Henderson, G. W.....Blaine, N. C.
Lancaster, J. F.....Oak Ridge, N. C.
Lanning, Jeff.....Denton, N. C.
Leach, M. J.....Lassiter, N. C.
Miller, John R.....Thomasville, N. C.
Morton, H.....Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D.....Thomasville, N. C.
Orrell, N. B.....Abbott's Creek, N. C.
Rich, W. H.....Lexington, N. C.
Sheets, Henry.....Lexington, N. C.
Stoker, Ambrose P.....Denton, N. C.
Summey, John A.....Hannersville, N. C.
Thomas, C. A. G.....Thomasville, N. C.

Executive Board.

John R. Miller, Chairman; James Smith, Wm. Bowers, J. C. Bean, C. M. Wall.

Proceedings.

LEXINGTON CHURCH, August 20, 1901.

Liberty Association convened with this church to-day in its Sixty-Eighth Annual Session. Religious exercises were conducted by Dr. R. T. Vann, of Raleigh. On motion of Elder J. B. Boone the preaching of the Annual Sermon was postponed till to-night at 8:00 o'clock.

The Moderator appointed brethren J. M. Hilliard and R. S. Green, Jr., as Reading Clerks, after which, proceeded to the enrollment of Messengers:

Abbott's Creek—C. H. Teague and D. D. Orrell.

Center Cross—Not represented.

Denton—H. C. Tysinger.

El Dorado—By letter.

Holloways—H. J. Palmer.

Huldah—By letter.

Jackson's Creek—Not represented.

Jersey—Z. T. Sharpe, L. A. Smith and J. D. Palmer.

Kernersville—J. F. Lancaster.

Lexington—John D. Holt, G. Foster Hankins and A. A. Yarbrough.

Liberty—D. H. Hepler, D. M. Summey and D. T. Andrews.

Lick Creek—Not represented.

Maple Springs—Not represented.

Marion—R. S. Green, Sr., and C. S. Green.

Mt. Lebanon—By letter.

New Friendship—S. A. Hege.

Oak Hill—Not represented.

Orphanage—J. B. Boone, A. Johnson and S. H. Averitt.

Pine M. House—J. H. Feezor and O. T. Davis.

Piney Grove—E. B. Fitzgerald.

Pleasant Fork—Not represented.

Reed's X Roads—C. H. Fritts, A. E. Myers and H. V. Myers.

Rich Fork—Wm. Bowers and R. S. Green, Jr.

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Stoner's Grove—L. C. Lomax, T. I. Wafford and B. F. Roach.

Summerville—By letter.

Thomasville—H. Morton.

On motion it was agreed to adjourn the morning service at 12:00 M.

Adjourned till 2:00 o'clock P. M.

Afternoon Session.

The body went into election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows :

Moderator : James Smith.

Clerk : Henry Sheets.

Treasurer : S. H. Averitt.

An invitation was extended to visiting brethren. The following accepted seats :

Elder C. J. Woodson, of the King's Mountain; Brother S. Beeker, of the South Yadkin Association; Elder J. M. Bennett, representing the North Carolina Baptist; Elder J. W. Cobb, travelling agent of the Biblical Recorder; Dr. R. T. Vann, of Central Association and President of the Baptist Female University, and Elder Livingston Johnson. Corresponding Secretary North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

The following named brethren were appointed to report at this session :

On Arrangements—J. B. Boone, S. E. Hege and Z. T. Sharpe.

On Place and Preacher For Next Association—John R. Miller, S. A. Hege and H. J. Palmer.

On Finance—John R. Miller and D. T. Andrews.

To Name Executive Committee—D. H. Hepler, John A. Summey and A. A. Yarbrough.

To report next year :

On State Missions—R. S. Green, Jr., and A. E. Myers.

On Home Missions—Wm. Bowers and D. T. Andrews.

On Foreign Missions—W. H. Rich and C. H. Teague.

On Periodicals—J. D. Newton and O. L. Stoner.

On Education—J. M. Hilliard and L. G. Lewis.

On Baptist Orphanage—J. B. Boone and H. Morton.

On Sunday Schools—Jeff Lanning and O. T. Davis.

On Minister' Relief—C. A. G. Thomas and H. C. Tysinger.

On Temperance—G. Foster Hankins and J. H. Feezor.

Bro. J D. Boone, chairman of Committee, made the following report

ON ARRANGMENT:

Tuesday, 8 p. m., Sermon.

Wednesday, August 21st, Religious Exercises, 9:00 to 9:30 a. m.

1. Routine Business, 9:3c to 10:00 a. m.
2. Periodicals, 10:00 to 10:30 a. m.
3 State Missions, 10:30 to 11:30 a m.
4. Orphanage, 11:30 to 12:30 p. m.
6. Foreign Missions, 2:30 to 3:30 p. m.
6. Miscellaneous, 3:30 to 4:00 p. m.

Thursday, August 22d, Religious Exercises 9:00 to 9:30 a. m.

1. Routine Business, 9:30 to 10:00 a. m.
2 Sunday Schools, 10:00 to 10:40 a. m.
3. Home Missions, 10:40 to 11:30 a. m.
4. Temperance, 11:30 to 12:00 m.
5 Miscellaneous, 12:00 m.

Adjournment.

On motion of Bro. John R. Miller, a committee of three was appointed to report on the feasibility of publishing a history of the Liberty Association. The Moderator appointed the committee as follows: John R. Miller, S. A. Hege and Henry Sheets.

After a song, adjourned.

Benediction by Elder J. W. Cobb.

NIGHT SESSION.

In accordance with a former motion, Elder C. A. G. Thomas preached, a strong and helpful sermon from Eph. 4:16.

Benediction by Elder J. B. Boone.

MORNING SESSION, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22.

Religious exercises were conducted by Elder J. F. Lancaster.

Moderator Smith called the body to order. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Elder Hilliard read the

Report on Periodicals.

This is a reading age. Our people, both old and young, are reading all sorts of books—and, perhaps, both good and bad—and, as Christian men and women, it is our duty to see that our own families and our neighbors have the best possible literature to read. Therefore, it is the duty of every denomination to try to place its denominational paper in every family belonging to their churches Your committee would commend the Biblical Recorder, the endorsed organ of the Baptists of North Carolina, to every Baptist family in our State as a paper worthy of a place in every household, full of good news and information every week from the different parts of the State, and just such information about our work in general as every Baptist should know. We would commend the North Carolina Baptist to our brethren and sisters as a first-class paper, and especially its Temperance Department, which is doing so much to strengthen the cause of Temperance in our State.

"Charity and Children," the organ of our Orphanage, should go into every home, not only of the Baptist, but wherever men and women wish to know more of that pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father

We would not forget the "Church Worker," published in our own Association by Rev. H. Sheets, as a great helper in our church work.

The Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field are indispensable to one who wishes to know of our denominational work in general. J. M. Hilliard.

Remarks were submitted by J. W. Cobb, J. M. Bennett and A. Johnson; after which the report was adopted.

Report on State Missions.

The work of the State Mission Board should appeal to us for a great many considerations. In addition to the evangilization of the whole State which is the first and greatest work, and which is white to harvest. The board has undertaken to reach the children who have never had a chance with the light of education. A work of wonderful importance is now in progress in Western North Carolina through the State Missionaries who labor there, but especially through the active and devoted sacrifice and labor of fifty young women who have given from six weeks to two months, free of charge, to school work in remote neighborhoods this summer. A mighty sentiment in favor of general education has been awakened that will bear

rich fruit in coming years.

But above all the chief business of this board is to bring men to a knowledge of the truth ; to establish the cause of Christ where it is weak, to strengthen the points and in every possible way uphold and defend the principles upon which our churches rest.

This is a vast field. The great east along the Atlantic shore where whole counties have hardly one Baptist church, the teeming Piedmont region where the factory problem cries aloud for solution and where helpless children are together at night worn out with the toil of the long day ; the wide west where we have too many organizations but so little efficiency—all these claims are being met by the State Mission Board, to which we must look for the redemption of our dear old State, under the guiding hand of God. We commend the great work of the Board to all the churches and urge that they go forward in their pledges for the coming year.

A. JOHNSON.

This report was spoken to by Secretary Johnson and Henry Sheets, and at this juncture, on motion, the time was extended one-half an hour for the further consideration of this subject. The report was further spoken to by A. Johnson and L. G. Lewis, after which pledges were taken and a cash collection amounting to $6 15.

On motion of Bro. W. H. Rich, it was agreed to meet at 7 p. m. to spend one hour in prayer in behalf of a revival of religion and for God's blessing upon our work.

Bro. William Bowers read the

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage at Thomasville is an institution of the Baptists of our State, and situated so near the center of our Association that there is but little excuse for anyone of our number to be unacquainted with its needs, its management, etc But we fear that quite a number of us know less of this institution than our duty requires.

There were two hundred and ten children supported by the hand of charity. Were you among the number that contributed to their support? If not, we hope you will fall in line and help to run this God-given work.

We think God-given—

First—Because we believe that the very site on which the Orphanage is situated was formed by the Lord himself for the

very purpose for which it is being used.

The hills covered with white sands, the springs and the rills between them bespeak the purpose of God in this formation.

Second—The evidence that we have that the Lord's hand has been in the work from its infancy up to the present.

Last year was its best year—more contributions, more done in a general way, than in any previous year—which we are thankful for. We hope the coming year will be equally as good, or better. We are pleased with the present management. The wisdom and economy used speaks well for the General Manager; not only so, but for the matrons, teachers, etc. The cost of an orphan's support and training was only $4.38. With this they were not only fed and clothed, but they had the advantage of good schools. and their religious interest is looked well after. The most of these children give their hearts to the Lord while at the Orphanage. The work at the Orphanage is systematic, and can not we be more systematic in our giving to this noble cause now, with our prayers and increased contributions, and the good work will go on. Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM BOWERS,
JOHN A SUMMEY.

This very excellent report was ably discussed by Elders John R. Miller, L. Johnson and C. A. G. Thomas.

Bro. John R. Miller read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The gospel of Jesus Christ had its origin in Foreign Missions. It was planned in Heaven, in the eternal councils of the divine God, and Jesus Christ, the sent one, came as the missionary to bring the glad tidings to the children of men.

And when He had finished his mission on earth and was ready to go back to the Father, He told His disciples to go into all the world and preach His gospel to every creature. Also in His farewell talks with His disciples, just before His ascension He said to them: "As my Father hath sent me even so I send you." Then as Christ was sent by the Father, even so we are sent by Christ to carry His gospel to every creature.

Nothing is more emphasized in all His word than this work of carrying the gospel to others: Now do we, as His professed followers, love Him? If so He says, we will keep His commandments.

Then how much are we to love God? With all thy soul, all thy mind and all thy strength. Now can we claim to show to

Him this degree of love by our gifts to foreign missions?

Brethren, if the Lord Jesus Christ now stood visibly in our midst, as He does in the spirit, could we look upon Him and tell Him we love Him, in the face of what we are doing to carry out His last commands?

No, brethren, we would be compelled to confess, with shame, that we have not done what we could, or what we should, to show our love to Him who brought us the message of peace, light and life.

It is true, we are doing something, our board is advancing a little each year, but as yet, we are only in the beginning of the great work of giving the gospel to the world. There are many millions of people on earth to-day, who have never heard the message which Jesus told us to carry to them. And who will be responsible, as God's watchman, for those who die in their sins, unwarned, without God, and without hope in the world?

It is true, brethren, we are feeling our responsibilities Sending the gospel is Christ's command and we have no right of choice in regard to this matter. We have just as much right to neglect baptism, the Lord's supper, or any other command, as we have to neglect giving to missions. And also, we want to emphasize the fact, that our churches have just as much scriptural right to receive and retain within their fellowship, members who have never been baptized, as they have to retain within their fellowship members who do nothing for the spread of the gospel. We would recommend that the pastors and churches seek to get a contribution to Foreign Missions from every member of the church and if there be those who are not able, brethren help them to give.

This report was spoken to by Brethren John R. Miller, L. Johnson and others. Adopted.

Through Elder J. F, Lancaster, Kernersville church made application for a letter of dismission from this body, to join the Pilot Mountain Association, which was duly granted.

Bro John R. Miller read the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE AND PREACHER.

Your committee would recommend that the next session of this body be held with Lick Creek Church, beginning on Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1902. Introductory sermon, Elder H. Sheets. Alternate, Elder Jeff Lanning.

S. A. HEGE,
H. J. PALMER,
JNO. R. MILLER,
Committee.

Adopted.

Appointment of delegates.

To Southern Baptist Convention:

C. M. Wall; alternate, Elder W. H. Rich.

To the North Carolina State Convention:

John D. Holt, S. A. Hege and H. Morton; alternates, H. F. Motsinger, R. S. Green, Jr., and Jeff Lanning.

By vote of this body, Bro. C. M. Wall was appointed the associational representative on the Board of State Missions.

On motion of W. H. Rich, it was agreed to meet to-night at 7:30 to hold prayer service for the Lord's blessing upon our work.

Adjourned. Benediction.

Night Session, August 21st.

After prayer service, Bro. S. H. Averitt read the

Report on Education.

A new era has dawned. North Carolina is waking up to the deplorable condition of her children whose only chance lies in the free schools which for the most part do not deserve to be called schools at all.

The Baptist denomination ought to feel a deeper interest in popular education than any other people because a majority of the children of the State are in Baptist homes. We rejoice at the growing sentiment in favor of universal education among our people. It is high time we were awakening out of our long slumber. We rejoice at the growth of Associational schools in the State, and most of all at the large number of boys and girls they have gathered in. We are under the highest obligation to give all possible moral support to all these schools.

THE CENTURY FUND.

The Baptist State Convention last December resolved to try to raise the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for education. Twenty-five thousand dollars to be first appropriated to the Baptist Female University, the balance to be divided between Wake Forest College and the Chowan Baptist Female Institute and the academies under denominational control.

It is hoped that by the division of the plan proposed, after the first $25,000 to the University, that all our educational interests will be uplifted and strengthened and the development of our people (which, after all, is the main thing desired) will be nor-

mal and natural, and not one-sided.

We commend the movement to all our churches, and hope they will make a great offering in this the first year of the new century.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. AVERITT,
A. E. MYERS,
Committee.

Brethren S. H. Averitt and Dr. R. T. Vann discussed this excellent report. At the close a public collection was taken in behalf of the Baptist Female University amounting to $8.32.

Adjournment. Benediction by B. W. Spillman.

MORNING SESSION, AUGUST 22.

Religious exercises were conducted by Elder H. Morton.

The Moderator called the body to order.

The committee on the publication of a history of the Liberty Association made the following

REPORT.

We, the committee appointed on publishing a history of Liberty Association, beg to submit the following, viz.: We believe that the publication and preservation of our history as a denomination is a matter of vital importance and should receive our hearty support. Therefore, we would recommend that our pastors and friends use every effort to secure the sale of a sufficient number of copies to defray the expenses in the publication of this work, and make such report as they may see fit at our next session of our Association.

J. R. MILLER,
H. SHEETS,
S. A. HEGE,
Committee.

Remarks on the above report were made by John R. Miller, Henry Sheets, J. D. Newton and W. H. Rich; after which Bro. Henry Sheets was asked to prepare the manuscript for a history.

That a committee of three be appointed by this association to act with W. H. Rich in arranging for the campaign of education, known as the Century Campaign.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren to co-operate with W. H. Rich, as chairman; John R. Miller, J. M. Hilliard and John A. Summey.

By motion the amount of money on the Century Fund col-

lected in this association be given to the B. F. University, unless otherwise ordered by giver.

Report on Sunday Schools.

Last year's minutes show that there are 1549 persons enlisted in the Sunday schools of the Liberty Association. The same minutes show that there are 2287 members of churches in our bounds. The number of church members engaged in Sunday school work may be put at half the number of those attending Sunday school, which would be 775. According to this it may be said that about one-third of the members of our churches are attending our Sunday schools. Bro. Spilman says that this is about the average in most of the associations of our State and some other States.

Half the churches of the South report no Sunday school. The Sunday school work is coming to be recognized as second to none. The Sunday School Board of the Southern Convention has arranged for a Sunday school professorship in our Theological Seminary at Louisville. This will afford an opportunity for our preachers to secure the very best instructions in this line of work.

We have in the Sunday school Board at Nashville one of the finest business institutions in the land—a good building, well located, paying expenses of all departments and a surplus of $44,000. Their periodicals and lesson helps of various kinds are equal to the best, and a number of books have been published which have been widely circulated and read. Colportage and Bible distribution is also an important feature in the work of the Board.

The field department, under the direction of Bro. B. W. Spilman, is being pushed vigorously in the direction of organizing Sunday schools, increasing interest and attendance in those already established.

The needs of the work are a deeper and more prayerful study of the Bible, better teaching and more visiting in the interest of the Sunday School. Better reports are necessary, too, before accurate information can be had about the general Sunday school work.

Three things to do: 1. Contribute to Sunday school work in North Carolina. 2. Contribute to Bible work of Sunday School Board at Nashville. 3. Send orders for literature to Baptist Book Store Raleigh, N. C. J. D. Newton.

This repont was discussed by J. D. Newton, B. W. Spilman and W. H. Rich.

The following amendment was adopted, viz :

That a committee of three be appointed to arrange for a Sunday school Institute to be held within the bounds of this association, viz , R. S. Green, Jr., J. D. Newton and Jeff Lanning.

Bro. R. S. Green, Jr., read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our object in Home Missions is to give the Gospel to destitute sections of the Southern States that cannot be reached by State or Foreign Missions. Our own State has been receiving help from the Home Board for many years. We deem no object more important and more worthy or our support than Home Missions. The truth, as we hold it, has been established In many of our Southern cities, and many strong churches have been built as a result of the work of this Board, that are doing much to spread the kingdom of our blessed Redeemer all over the world. We may look more especially to the Home Board than to any other for the maintenance and propagation of the true doctrines of the Gospel. This Board lays strong claims upon us, and there is every reason why we should increase our contribution and give it our hearty support. Within the bounds of the home field there are over 12,000,000 unconverted souls, and this number is grower larger every year because of immigration into this section of our country. The field is large, the work is abundant and exceedingly important.

We therefore recommend enlargement in our pledges to Home Missions.

May the Lord's blessing and prosperity attend the work of this Board and the men employed under it.

J. M. BENNETT,
S. E. WAFFORD.

Bro. J. C. Caddell, Vice President of Home Missions in North Carolina, spoke to this report. Pledges taken and report adopted.

Elder Jeff Lanning read:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Intemperance is one of the greatest evils that threatens the prosperity of our churches and country. Therefore we would recommend that our churches do all they can to rid themselves of this great evil. We hope the time will soon come when our churches will soon exclude from their membership every member who has anything to do with it in any way.

JEFF LANNING.

Remarks on this report by Elder Lanning. Report adopted.

The following was offered;

Resolved, That the Liberty Association are heartily in sympathy with the object of the Minister's Relief Board and commend this work to all our churches

This work was discussed by W. H. Rich and afteward adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance.

	Female Univ. Raleigh.	Minute Fund.	Home Mis	Foreign Mis.	Orphanage.	Education.	Ministerial Relief.	State Miss.
Pine M. House		2 30						
Holloways		1 73						
Liberty		45		10 00		3 00	1 50	
Mt. Lebanon		55	1 00	70		1 00	50	
Summervillle		30	1 00	75	1 50	50	50	1 00
Jersey		2 00	7 00	3 00		7 00	5 19	6 00
Marion		20	40					1 00
El Dorado		40	1 00	1 00	2 00		70	
Stoner's Grove		1 15	50		2 00			50
Abbott's Creek		2 00				4 00	3 50	
Lexington		3 00	35	8 57	10		5 00	14 28
Denton	2 00	1 00				2 00	1 00	
Piney Grove		1 60						
Orphanage		1 50						
Kernersville		85						
Thomasville		50		50			1 50	
Rich Fork		1 05				1 50	1 50	
Reed's		1 22					2 10	
Friendship		1 60						
Oak Hill		32						
Lick Creek		1 50						
	2 00	25 22	11 25	24 46	5 60	19 00	21 49	22 78

Rich Fork Church paid for S. S. M. $1.04.

JOHN R. MILLER,
D. T. ANDREWS, } Com.

Treasurer's Report.

AMOUNT RECEIVED.

Home Missions - From Finance Committee and Churches	$ 66 63
State Missions - From Finance Committee and Churches	179 74
Foreign Missions—From Finance Committee and Churches	108 41
Seminary—Lexington Church	5 16
Education - Finance Committee and Churches	100 43
Minute Fund —Finance Committee	25 00
Minister's Relief—Finance Committee and Churches	27 61
Ministerial Education—Churches and Association	18 72
Total	$531 70

DISBURSEMENTS.

Home Missions—To Convention Treasurer	$ 66 63
State Missions—To Convention Treasurer and Missionaries of Liberty Association	179 74
Foreign Missions -To Convention Treasurer	108 51
Seminary	5 16
Education—To O. L. Stringfield, Financial Secretary	100 43
Minute Fund To Rev. Henry Sheets	25 00
Minister's Relief Fund—To Conveniion Treasurer	27 61
Ministerial Education—To Conveution Treasurer	18 72
Total	$531 70

S. H. ANERITT, Treasurer.

The Woman's Missionary Society, of Lexington Baptist Church, paid during the past year the following amounts :

Foreign Missions	$7 00
Home Missions	6 00
State Missions	7 00
Xmas Offering	2 15
Expense Fnnd	36
Total	$22 51

MRS. W. H. RICH, President.
MISS ROXIE SHEETS, Sec. & Treas.

In addition to the above the ladies of the church have collected and paid $151.17 towards furnishing the church.

The Woman's Missionary Society, of Holloway's Church has paid for Foreign Missions $1 10

MRS. M. E. PETERS, Presldent.
MRS. VIOLA CROSS, Sec.

On motion. the Clerk was authorized to superintend the printing of the minutes and that he be allowed $10.00 for his services.

Bro. R. S. Green, Jr., offered the following :

We, the delegates of Liberty Association, in session, hereby return our sincere thanks to the brethren and sisters of the Lexington Church and community for their hospitality in their care of us during this session.

After singing "God be with you till we meet again," and and prayer by Bro. W. H. Rich, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Lick Creek on Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1902.

JAMES SMITH, Moderator.

HENRY SHEETS, Secretary.

Table of Pledges for 1901-1902.

CHURCHES.	State Miss.	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Education.	Baptist Orph.	Minister's Relief Fund.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	10 00	3 00	8 00	4 00	16 00	3 50	44 50
Center Cross		1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00		5 00
Denton	5 00	2 50	4 00	1 50	9 00	1 00	23 00
El Dorado	1 00		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	5 00
Holloway's	15 00	5 00	9 00	5 00	20 00	3 00	57 00
Huldah	1 00	1 00	1 50	50	1 00	1 00	6 00
Jackson's Creek		1 00	2 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	8 00
Jersey	18 00	6 00	12 00	8 00	25 00	2 00	71 00
Kernersville					10 00		10 00
Lexington	50 00	16 00	36 00	15 00	25 00	5 00	147 00
Liberty	4 00	4 00	10 00	3 00	10 00	1 50	32 50
Lick Creek	11 00	5 00	15 00	3 00	12 00	2 00	48 00
Maple Springs					1 00		1 00
Marion	1 00		1 00	1 00	2 00		5 00
Mt. Lebanon	5 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	4 00	50	13 50
New Friendship	15 00	6 00	10 00	5 00	25 00	2 00	63 00
Oak Hill		2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00		7 00
Orphanage	50 00	25 00	40 00	15 00	50 00	3 00	183 00
Pine M House	11 00	5 00	6 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	39 00
Piney Grove	25 00	15 00	20 00	5 00	15 00	4 00	84 00
Pleasant Fork	3 00	2 00	200	1 00	5 00	1 00	14 00
Reed's X Roads	7 00	4 50	900	2 75	15 00	2 25	40 50
Rich Fork	3 50	2 50	3 00	2 00	6 00	1 25	18 25
Stoner's Grove	2 25	1 00	1 15	1 00	2 20	1 00	8 60
Summerville	1 00	1 00	50		1 50	50	4 50
Thomasville							
Gravel Hill	1 00		1 00		3 00		5 00
Talor's Grove			2 00	50			2 50
Union Meeting	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	3 00	63 00
	251 75	121 50	210 15	96 25	287 70	41 50	1,008 85

Sunday School Statistics of Liberty Association, August, 1901.

CHURCHES	S. S. Supts.	Supts. P. O.	Off'rs and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total T'ch's and Schols.	Vols. in Library.	Quart'lies and Pap'rs Taken.	School Expenses.
Abbott's Creek	N. R Teague	Abbott's Creek, N. C.	5	75	80		54	5 00
Center Cross	Not reported							
Denton	H. C. Tysinger	Denton, N. C.	11	124	135		315	17 11
El Dorado	F. G. Blackwelder	El Dorado, N. C	5	35	40		26	1 50
Holloway's	B. R. Cross	Silver Hill, N. C.	6	71	77	68	70	5 00
Huldah	Elias Moore	Mitchfield, N. C	7	56	63		35	1 00
Jackson's Creek	No report							
Jersey	J. D Palmer	Linwood, N. C.	6	76	82		368	10 99
Kernersville	J. R. Joyce	Kernersville, N. C	6	70	76		90	9 12
Lexington	C. W. Trice	Lexington, N. C.	30	350	380		300	118 57
Liberty	J. M. Easter	Eden, N C.	8	46	54	100	46	2 04
Lick Creek	No report							
Maple Springs.	No report							
Marion	No school							
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welch	Pisgah, N. C.	5	45	50			60
New Friendship	G C. Wadford	Winston-Salem, N. C	5	30	35		30	5 00
Oak Hill	No report							
Orphanage	S H. Averitt	Thomasville, N C	12	224	236		225	30
Pine M. House.	O. T. Davis	Churchland, N. C.	11	100	111		100	
Piney Grove.	T. S. Wall	Wallburg, N. C.	6	70	76		70	8 00
Pleasant Fork.	No report							
Reed's X Roads.	Arthur Myers	Reed's N. C.	5	80	85	30	100	12 00
Rich Fork	William Bowers	Jimes, N. C.	8	60	68		45	5 00
Stoner's Grove	W. C. Roach	Fairmont, N. C.	8	35	43		53	3 00
Summerville	A. Peterson	Denton, N. C.	5	50	55		48	2 00
Thomasville	H. W. Reinhart	Thomasville, N. C.	2	30	32		30	2 78

Statistical Table For the Year Ending August, 1901

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	CLERK'S P. O.	Added.				Lost.				Males.	Females	Total Membership.	Sunday of Preaching
			Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Total.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total.				
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague	Wallburg, N C							1	1	47	102	149	3d
Center Cross	Not represented	Reported last year									7	22	29	4th
Denton	L. A. Tysinger	Denton, N. C	10	6		16	1	4	1	6	47	55	102	2d
El Dorado	H. A. Henderson	El Dorado, N. C					1			1	14	36	50	3d
Holloway's	B. R. Cross	Silver Hill, N. C	16	3	1	20	7		3	10	9	192	161	2d
Huldah	Vester Moore	Mitchfield, N. C									6	12	18	3d
Jackson's Creek	Not represented	Reported last year									26	76	102	
Jersey	G. W. Palmer	Linwood, N. C	18	6	1	25	10		3	13	78	89	167	1st
Kernersville	Wyatt W. Bowman	Kernersville, N. C	2			2	2	1	2	5	16	50	66	2d
Lexington	S. L. Owen	Lexington, N. C	18	13		31	3	1	1	5	84	131	215	2d, 3d, 4th
Liberty	J. M. Easter	Eden, N N. C	6	1		7	4	3	4	11	62	121	183	3d
Lick Creek	Not represented		17	6		23					69	85	154	4th
Maple Springs	Not represented	Reported last year									8	27	35	2d
Marion	R. S. Green, Sr	Jimes, N. C											6	
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welch	Pisgah, N. C	1	3		4					15	28	43	1st
New Friendship	S. A. Hege	Winston-Salem, N C.	1	1		2	1		1	2	38	74	112	4th
Oak Hill	Not represented	Reported last year									10	17	27	1st
Orphanage	Miss Annie Hall	Thomasville, N. C	39	1		40	19	4		23	64	89	153	2d, 4th
Pine M. House	R. K. Williams	Swift, N. C	22			22	1	12	4	17	72	130	202	4th
Piney Grove	P. E. Whicker	Bethany, N. C		1		1					29	40	69	1st
Pleasant Fork	Not represented	Reported last year									8	10	18	
Reed's X Roads	D. C. Craver	Reed's, N. C	32	1		33	3		3	6	61	96	157	1st
Rich Fork	J. F. Clinard	Thomasville, N. C	2	8		10	1	2	1	4	29	56	8	4th
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner	Fairmont, N C	3	5		8	1		1	2	16	21	37	1st
Summerville	W S. Adderton	Denton, N. C					1			1	14	40	54	1st
Thomasville	H. W. Reinhart	Thomasville, N. C					4			4	9	21	30	
			187	55	2	244	59	27	25	111	888	1 30	2418	

Financial Table For the Year Ending August, 1901.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	PASTOR'S P. O.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educat'n.	Baptist Orph.	Minister's R. Fund.	Inciden'ls	Poor of Church.	Other Objects.	Pastor's Salaries.	Minute Fund.	Totals.	Value of Church Property.
Abbott's Creek,	J. M. Hilliard,	High Point, N. C.	10 00	3 00	8 00	4 00	16 00	3 50			27 25	1 0 00	2 00	173 75	1,000 00
Center Cross,	Not represented														
Denton,	Jeff. Lanning,	Denton, "	4 50	2 50	4 00	2 00	13 18	1 00	22 00			75 00	1 00	124 18	800 00
El Dorado,	Lee W. Harris,	El Dorado, "	1 00	1 00	1 00		2 00	70	1 70		3 50	25 00	40	36 30	400 00
Holloways,	John R. Miller,	Thomasville, "	14 12	6 85	9 00	5 35	18 89	3 18	5 00			100 00	1 73	164 12	900 00
Huldah,	M. J. Leach,	Lassiter, "	1 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	50						4 50	
Jackson's Creek	Jno. A. Summey	Hannersville, "	No	Letter											300 00
Jersey,	W. F. Rich,	Lexington, "	15 00	6 00	10 00	6 00	23 70	2 00	22 60		75 00	150 00	2 00	312 30	2,000 00
Kernersville,	W. H. Wilson,	Madison, "	6 10	3 93	8 18		7 78		10 00	2 00	49 99	115 00	85	203 83	1,100 00
Lexington,	W. H. Rich,	Lexington, "	30 00	11 49	28 00	11 22	25 00	5 00	96 74		915 53	450 00	3 00	1,575 98	5,500 00
Liberty,	Jeff. Lanning,	Denton, "	4 00	4 00	10 00	3 00	5 00	1 50			15 00	75 00	45	117 85	360 00
Lick Creek,	Jno. A. Summey	Hannersville, "	6 00	5 00	10 00	3 00	10 00	1 00	11 50		29 70	75 00	1 50	152 70	200 00
Maple Srings,	No Letter.														
Marion,	J. D. Newton,	Thomasville, "			45		1 55					10 00	20	12 20	
Mt. Lebanon,	L. G. Lewis,	N. Hope Acad, "	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	3 00	50	4 60		1 00	10 00	55	27 65	200 00
New Friendship	F. H. Jones,	Reidsville, "	12 00	6 00	10 00	5 00	80 00	2 00	17 06	3 75		125 00	1 60	262 41	2,345 00
Oak Hill,	No Letter.												32	32	
Orphanage	C.A. G. Thomas	Thomasville, "	44 23	36 61	48 09	10 18	121 50	5 46				123 00	1 50	390 57	
Pine M. House,	Jeff. Lanning,	Denton, "	10 00	4 34	5 24	4 45	10 00	2 00	17 00		85 0	100 00	2 30	240 33	1,500 00
Piney Grove,	Henry Sheets,	Lexington, "	25 00	19 00	30 00	5 00	16 50	5 00	23 18		9 35	100 00	1 60	234 63	500 00
Pleasant Fork,	No Pastor.	No Letter.													
Reed's X Roads	John R Miller,	Thomasville, "	7 55	4 00	7 30	2 50	16 06	2 10	12 00			100 00	1 22	152 72	600 00
Rich Fork,	John R Miller,	Thomasville, "	3 50	3 29	2 75	1 50	6 24	1 5	1 25		1 04	60 00	1 05	82 12	500 00
Stoner's Grove,	Jeff. Lanning,	Denton, "	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	2 00	50	15 28			25 00	1 15	48 43	500 00
Summervillle,	A. P Stoker,	Denton, "	1 00	1 00	75	50	1 50	50				30 00	30	35 55	200 00
Thomasville.	No Pastor.				50		2 17		4 40		5 60	12 51	50	25 68	1,000 00
			200 00	122 01	197 26	65 20	383 07	37 94	264 31	5 75	1.217 96	1,860 51	25 22	3,378 13	19,905 00

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Moderator—JAMES SMITH.....Lexington, N. C.
Clerk—HENRY SHEETS.....Lexington, N. C.
Treasurer—S. H. AVERITT.....Thomasville, N. C.

Place, Time and Preacher for Next Session:

The next session of Liberty Association will convene with the Jersey church, one mile from Linwood station, on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August, 1903.

The Introductory Sermon by Elder W. A. Smith: alternate, Elder John A. Summey.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION AUGUST, 1902.

ADDERTON, W. S.....Denton, N. C.
BOONE, J. B.....Thomasville, "
CARRICK, THOMAS.....High Point, "
LANNING, JEFF.....Denton, "
LEACH, M. J.....Lassiter, "
MILLER, JOHN R.....Thomasville, "
MORTON, H.....Thomasville, "
NEWTON, J. D.....Thomasville. "
ORRELL, N. B.....Abbott's Creek, "
SHEETS, HENRY.....Lexington, "
SMITH, W. A.....Lexington, "
STOKER, A. P.....Denton, "
SUMMEY, JOHN A.....Hannersville, "

The following named ordained ministers: Harris, Lee W., Henderson, G. W., have gone to the Montgomery; Lancaster, J. F., has gone to the Pilot Mountain; Thomas, C. A. G., has gone to the Sandy Creek Association. Rich, W. H., to Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Executive Board.

John R. Miller, James Smith, William Bowers, W. C. Roach, C. M. Wall.

PROCEEDINGS.

LICK CREEK CHURCH,

Davidson County, N. C., Aug. 19, 1902.

Liberty Association convened with this church today in its sixty-ninth annual session. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Henry Sheets from Acts 5:42. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON.

Religious exercises were conducted by Elder W. F. Fry.

The Moderator called the body to order and the enrollment of messengers was made as follows:

ABBOTT'S CREEK—N R Teague and W D Spurgeon.
CENTER CROSS—By Letter.
DENTON—L A Tysinger.
EL DORADO—H A Henderson and W E Hall.
HOLLOWAYS—Peter Cross and J A Carrick.
HULDAH—By Letter.
JACKSON'S CREEK—Not represented.
JERSEY—W C Roach, W C Barnes and Z T Sharpe.
LEXINGTON—E M Ward.
LIBERTY—Daniel M Summey and S H Kindley.
LICK CREEK—W P Redwine, James H Daniel and P Monroe Snider.
MAPLE SPRINGS—Not represented.
MARION—By Letter.
MT. LEBANON—By Letter.
NEW FRIENDSHIP—By Letter.
OAK HILL—Not represented.
ORPHANAGE—S H Averitt.
PINE M. HOUSE—J. H. Beck.
PINEY GROVE—By Letter.
PLEASANT FORK—Not represented.
REED'S X ROADS—A R Craver, Alexander Lanning and P A Myers.
RICH FORK—William Bowers, J R Miller and S H Yokeley.
STONER'S GROVE—B F Roach, L C Lomax and O L Stoner.
SUMMERSVILLE—Not represented.
THOMASVILLE—J T Valentine.

An invitation was extended to any new church desiring admission into this body. Letters were handed in from Taylor's Grove, Davidson, and Gravel Hill, Randolph county. On motion they were received and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

After the enrollment of messengers had been completed, the body went into the election of officers, which resulted as follows: Moderator, James Smith; Clerk, Henry Sheets; Treasurer, S. H. Averitt.

The Moderator then extended an invitation to visiting brethren. The following accepted seats: Elders J. F. Hodge, of the Stanley association, W. R. Cullom, for Board of Education, J. W. Cobb, of Biblical Recorder, W. F. Fry, for Baptist Female University, W. C. Newton, of Piedmont association, for the Mission boards, G. W. Henderson, of the Montgomery association, and Bro. J. M. Stoner, of the Buncombe County association.

The following committees were appointed to write reports for next session:

On State Missions—J R Miller and A A Loflin.
On Home Missions—J A Summey and W C Roach.
On Foreign Missions—W A Smith and O L Stoner.
On Periodicals—J D Newton and P M Snider.
On Education—J M Hilliard and M J Leach.
On Baptist Orphanage—S H Averitt and L G Lewis.
On Sunday Schools—J T Valentyne and A H Michael.
On Ministers' Relief—Henry Sheets and W C Barnes.
On Temperance—N R Teague and Milton Denny.

To report at this session:

On Place and Preacher—S H Averitt, C M Wall, A R Craver.
On Finance—William Bowers and J T Valentyne.
To Name Executive Committee—Jeff Lanning, Z T Sharpe and J A Carrick.

Announcements: Elder W. C. Newton will preach in this house tonight. Will meet tomorrow morning at 9:30. Spend half hour in religious exercises.

Adjournment. Benediction.

Service at Night.

A congregation of considerable size met and Elder W. C. Newton preached a highly interesting sermon from Col. 1:15.

Tuesday Morning, August 20th.

Religious exercises were conducted by Elder J. M. Hilliard, reading a part of 34th Psalm.

Moderator Smith called the body to order. Elder J. D. Newton read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

A religious newspaper should not only furnish religious news, but should contain sound doctrine and spiritual food. There is such a cry for union throughout our land that even our Baptist papers as well as our Baptist pulpits may be more or less influenced by the current. Every Christian soul needs deeply spiritual food. We need not only to be fed from pages of our religious papers, but we need in them a guide; therefore they should give forth no uncertain sound in matters relating to the Bible.

Our religious papers also should be simple and explicit in statement, so that all, even the children in our homes, can understand. This is a story-telling age and it is the person who can relate the most attractive story who gets the best pay, but our children need something else besides stories. It is also an age when writers, speakers and even parents are pandering to the idea of pleasing the children, when they really should have the idea instilled into their natures of seeking to please the parents. Children need to learn something else besides how to be pleased, and that is, how to please.

There are getting to be so many heroes and heroines outside the Bible that our children may eventually lose sight of the heroism of Joseph, of Daniel, of John the Baptist, of Stephen and Paul.

We do not believe that it is the mission of our religious newspapers to keep their readers informed about politics, but its true mission is that of winning and developing souls. If the religious paper is to be a real help to the pastor, it must be filled with the burning matter of the Gospel of Christ.

While the minister may reach the ears of three or four hundred people each week, the religious paper will reach fifteen thousand ears and more. What a tremendous responsibility rests upon the writers who so largely shape the religious thought and character of a denomination in a whole state!

Think of a single paragraph penetrating the minds and hearts of fifteen thousand souls. How important that this paragraph should contain some great truth of God which the Holy Spirit would be willing to seal forever!

The condition of a christian home without a religious paper is indeed a pitiable one and every effort possible should be made to

place one or more of our most excellent papers in the many homes that are now destitute of this class of literature.

The following is a list of papers from which you may select and the price and address are here given :

Biblical Recorder, $1.50, Raleigh, N. C.; North Carolina Baptist, $1.00, Fayetteville, N. C. ; Charity and Children, $1.00, Thomasville, N. C.; Church Worker, 25c., Lexington, N. C.; Foreign Mission Journal, 35c., Richmond, Va.; Our Home Field, 10c., Atlanta, Ga.

We humbly plead with the brethren not to try to train their families without the help of one or more of the papers mentioned. Please do not select the one you think is the cheapest, but the one you think will help you most.

Very Respectfully, J. D. NEWTON.

This report was spoken to by J. D. Newton, J. W. Cobb and Henry Sheets, after which the report was adopted.

Immediately following this discussion Elder J. M. Hilliard read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

These times in which we are now living are times of rapid progress and everything seems hastening to some great end. The time has passed for the plodding man, he must now be up and doing.

We must all try to keep pace with this fast age, and since our work is in the churches we must hasten our work forward by the means of education. This education should be of that type which will develop in our young people those noble traits of character which will make them useful men and women as citizens of the country and especially as workers in our churches. Let us strive to have these characteristics ever kept before our people in our colleges and high schools. Then let us give our hearty support to Wake Forest College, Baptist Female University and other Baptist schools, where our boys and girls will be taught the great principles of christian education, and then we may expect from them efficient work in our churches.

We would most heartily commend to the consideration of our churches the Board of Education at Wake Forest College, which is doing so much to aid indigent young men, called of God to the Gospel ministry, to obtain an education.

J. M. HILLIARD,
L. G. LEWIS.

This report was discussed by J. M. Hilliard, W. R. Cullum and W. F. Fry. After this thrilling discussion the several churches, through those present, made pledges to try to raise the amount pledged by the association at Winston at last State Convention.

After this a cash collection was taken for the debt on

the University, amounting to $10.75.

Following, Bro. W. A. Smith made a motion that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to arrange for educational rallies to be held in the several churches. The following brethren were appointed, viz: John R. Miller, W. A. Smith and Henry Sheets.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

All mission work must have a basis. State missions means the organization and the edification of Baptist churches in North Carolina. Our State mission work is usually divided into three parts, namely, the mountain or western, the eastern and the factory population.

1. There is no lack for Baptists in the western districts, but the real need is the mental and moral training of the professed membership of the churches. This need can only be supplied by the establishment and maintenance of schools and the sending and supporting of qualified ministers. Money and teachers are being supplied in numbers by some other denominations and it remains to be proved whether Baptists are going to hold their priceless possessions.

2. There are vast areas of country in the coast section that are entirely destitute of Baptist preaching to say nothing of Baptist churches. Hyde county has not a Baptist preacher in its bounds and it is said that this county alone will harvest corn enough to supply the state. The Board is calling for a number of good men to occupy this great section and also for contributions from the churches to sustain these men.

3. The exodus from the rural districts to the factory towns is without a parellel in the history of our state. The Board earnestly desires to supply this rapidly increasing population with the Gospel as Baptists believe and teach it. It has been proved that our money and efforts used in building up churches among this class of our people have brought back returns to the Board which have been gratifying indeed.

Our opportunity is at hand. Will we seize it? Will we allow the spirit of God to open our hearts and purses and press with vigor the great work of saving the state?

Respectfully,
J. D. NEWTON.

This report was spoken to by Elder W. C. Newton. Pledges were taken to be paid during the coming year.

Bro. W. A. Smith read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

On so short a notice your committee is not prepared to render an adequate report on Foreign missions, yet it is very gratifying to

note that the past conventional year was marked with glorious success. There were 1439 baptisms, which is by far the largest number in any year in the history of our Board. The receipts of the Board last year amounted to $173,439.49. In the year preceding it was $156,083.33. Twenty-six new missionaries have been sent out within the past year.

The Bible has been translated into well nigh all languages and tongues. The barriers to spread of the Gospel have been and are still being broken down. The missionary now finds protection everywhere and his message is gladly received by the thousands who hear it from time to time.

There are seven Theological Training schools in foreign countries for the training of native helpers. The publication societies in Canton, China, are meeting a great demand.

Something like three-fourths of the world lies in heathen darkness and the millions are going down in sin and death every year.

"For these poor benighted millions
We can give and work and pray,
And our gifts and prayers united
Sure will speed that happy day,
When no more to idol bowing—
Jesus only shall be king,
And ten thousand voices ringing
Shall His praise victorious sing."

Brethren, we cannot afford, as individuals, and churches, to ignore the great command of our Lord to preach the Gospel to every creature. God will bless that church and that individual who will pray for missions and give according to his ability to its support. Let all the churches make an advance of at least 25 per cent. upon their former pledges to this great work.

The Foreign Mission Journal ought to be in every Baptist home. It is only 35 cents a year.

Mission tracks may be had free by any one who will write Rev. R. J. Willingham, Richmond, Va., for them. Send for the Foreign Mission Journal and ask for mission tracks.

Brethren, let us work, pray and give for missions and thus lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven and help to save a dying world.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Committee,
W. A. SMITH.

The report was discussed by Bro. Smith, after which pledges were taken. Adopted.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, John R. Miller; alternate Henry Sheets.

Delegates to North Carolina Baptist State Convention—John D. Holt, A. A. Loflin, C. M. Wall; alternates—Jeff Lanning, J. T. Valentine and Archibald Johnson.

The committee to nominate the Executive Board rec-

ommended the following brethren, viz: John R. Miller, James Smith, William Bowers, W. C. Roach and C. M. Wall. The report was adopted.

The committee on an Associational History reported that because of press of business the manuscript was not yet ready, but will be ready by next association. The committee was continued.

The pastor announced that Bro. W. A. Smith would preach in this house tonight at 8:15.

Adjourned. Benediction by Elder Leach.

AT NIGHT.

According to announcement Bro. Smith preached to an attentive audience a most helpful sermon.

Bro. J. T. Valentine, chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted their report, which was adopted. (See report latter part of minutes.)

On motion of Bro. John R. Miller the clerk was allowed $10 for his services and remainder of minute fund to be spent in the publication of the minutes.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUG. 21.

Religious exercises conducted by Elder Jeff Lanning.

The Treasurer, Bro. S. H. Averitt, read his report, which was adopted, and which herewith follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

AMOUNT RECEIVED.

Home Missions—From Finance Committee and churches	$ 43 82
State Missions—From Finance Committee and churches	120 12
Foreign Missions—From Finance Com. and churches	78 58
Seminary—Churches	15 32
Minute Fund—From Finance Committee	25 22
Ministers' Relief—From Finance Com. and churches	24 49
Ministerial Education	42 22
Education	10 32
S. S. Missions—From Finance Com. and churches	8 68
Total	$368 77

DISBURSEMENTS.

Home Missions—To Walter Durham, treasurer	$ 43 82
State Missions—Walter Durham, treas. and miss'aries	120 12
Foreign Missions—To Walter Durham, treasurer	78 58
Seminary—To B. Pressly Smith, treasurer	15 32
Minute Fund—To Rev. Henry Sheets	25 22
Ministers' Relief—To Walter Durham, treasurer	24 49
Ministerial Education—To Walter Durham, treasurer	42 22
Education—To Walter Durham, treas., and R.T. Vann,	10 32
S. S. Missions—To Walter Durham, treasurer	8 68
Total	$368 77

S. H. AVERITT, TREASURER.

Report adopted.

Elder Jeff Lanning presented the

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to report the following:

We believe that the Sunday school is a part of church work, and that it is the duty of both pastor and church to engage in this work. We are glad that we can report a growing interest among our churches to teach Bible truths to the young people.

How important that our children have a knowledge of the Bible early in life.

We believe the Sunday school to be a great means by which to develop the membership of the churches in all departments of the Lord's work. We recommend the use of our Sunday school literature to all of our Sunday schools. Respectfully submitted,

O. T. DAVIES,
JEFF LANNING, } Com.

This report was discussed by Elder Lanning and W. A. Smith. Adopted.

The following was read before the body :

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

The Aged Ministers' Relief Board of our convention, located at Durham, N. C., was instituted some ten or twelve years ago. The object of this board is to help provide the necessities of life for aged ministers who are old and feeble, and who are in needy circumstances.

These old brethren were the pioneers of our work as a denomination. They have labored and we have entered into their labors. They received but small remuneration for their services and are now left in extreme poverty in their declining years, and as a denomination we do not want them to spend their declining years in the county homes, dejected and neglected.

The plan of this board is to make a reserved fund of one-third of the money contributed, and place the same at interest for the benefit of the board, and the other two-thirds goes directly to the proper beneficiaries.

Brethren, let every church and every member take part in helping to feed and cloth these dear old brethren in their last days.

Respectfully submitted,
H. C. TYSINGER, Com.

Spoken to by W. A. Smith. Pledges taken and report adopted.

Deacon William Bowers read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board was instituted in the year of our Lord, 1845, by our Southern Baptist Convention to co-operate with other Boards in the Convention, to do work which they could not do, and there has been an open door for this Board ever since, down to the present time. And no other Board has attained greater results according to the support given it. It fits itself to rich and poor alike ; the city and the remotest rural districts, with its ear ever open to the Macedonian cry, with the good Samaritan-like spirit.

Last year's work shows additions, total, 17,201 ; churches constituted 231 ; houses of worship built and repaired, 398 ; Sunday schools organized, 874 ; Bibles and Testaments distributed, 27,499 ; tracks distributed, pages, 2,084,355.

What this Board needs most is strength to hold up its arm. This given, the results will continue to be good. May the Lord bless the efforts made by this Board.

Respectfully submitted, WILLIAM BOWERS.

Discussed by Bro. William Bowers, John R. Miller and W. A. Smith. Adopted.

Bro. S. H. Averitt read the excellent

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The Liberty Association should take peculiar pride in our Orphanage work, located in the bounds of our body. We have not shown so liberal a spirit toward the institution as many other associations which are very remote from this section of the State. The Tar River is represented by a large number of buildings, and pours into the treasury of the Orphanage a yearly contribution with which that of the Liberty association is not worthy to be compared.

The Lord has honored us above our brethren in giving us this blessed institution, and it should kindle our zeal and quicken all our denominational life to come in touch with it as no other people in North Carolina do.

Our people know too little about the Orphanage. We should inform ourselves about its work and keep our hearts warm under the influence that it always kindles. Fewer copies of Charity and Children are taken in this association than in many others, hundreds of miles away.

The institution has in its care at the present time about 213 children. The year's work which closed June 30th was highly satisfactory. The health of the children has been excellent, the bill for medicine and medical attendance having been only about $100.00.

The economy with which the Orphanage is managed has always been a strong and striking feature of the work. $4.75 a month maintains a child, and this includes all the running expenses of the Orphanage, salaries and all. Where can an institution be found which can make a better showing? The General Manager and his wife are well known to us all and so long as they are in charge we need have no fear that the money sent by our churches to support the Orphanage will be wasted.

The crop prospects are excellent. Wheat was light but the corn crop will more than make up for it. The Mill's shop is under full headway and, we hope, will pay it's own way this year. A shoe shop under the care of a competent workman promises to do a good business, and Charity and Children puts a yearly profit into the treasury of a thousand dollars.

A new dormitory is in process of erection and will be open to admit forty little boys in the early fall. It is a gift to the Orphanage by Mr. J. A. Durham, a prosperous business man of Charlotte, and is a memorial to a sainted mother, who has passed into the skies.

These additional orphans will run the number up to more than 250 and we urge our churches to enlarge their contributions to meet the enlarged demands.

God has thrown these little ones upon us, brethren, and we must help to supply their needs. A thousand others are yet uncared for and exposed to all the snares of the evil one. They are crying to us to help them. Shall we heed their cries? "In as much as ye did it NOT to one of these little ones, ye did it NOT to me."

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. AVERITT, for Com.

This excellent report was spoken to by Bro. Averitt, the treasurer of our Orphanage. Report adopted.

Brother John W. Cole read the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Perhaps no evil is so universal, or so far-reaching among our churches, as intemperance. The very attendants of this evil bring upon our churches and people in general a kind of disrespect and ingratitude toward the welfare and betterment of both church and state. If we persist in the present condition of things we may only hope to continue making a record which will indicate a most unwholesome church constituency as well as one that will ever be a blot upon our christian endeavor in allowing such things to exist.

Believing that the future of our government, both morally and religiously, will be determined by the way and manner in which our churches treat this subject, we would recommend that our people use every available means to reduce this most obnoxious evil and thereby destroy the poisonous influences of the saloons and their other agencies to cripple the morality and religion of our boys and girls, even at the cost of a change of political opinion.

J. W. COLE.

This report brought out the most spirited discussion of the session, which was participated in by Jeff Lanning, Henry Sheets, W. H. Smith, John A. Summey and William Bowers. It was most heartily adopted.

Bro. W. A. Smith offered resolution of thanks :

RESOLVED. That we, the delegates and visitors to this association, do hereby express our sincere and heartfelt thanks for the kind hospitality extended during this session of Liberty association.

Adjourned to meet at Jersey on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August, 1903.

JAMES SMITH, MODERATOR.

HENRY SHEETS, Clerk.

Woman's Missionary Societies.

There are only two in the association :

HOLLOWAY'S—Mrs. J. F. Peters, Young's, president. Contributions: State missions, $5.50; Home missions, $4.50.

LEXINGTON—Miss Roxie Sheets, Lexington, president. This society has 34 members. Contributions : State missions, $8 ; Home missions, $8; Foreign missions $8.

Report of Committee on Finance.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Foreign Miss'ns	Home Missions	Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Orphanage.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Union Meeting..	.....	8 00	7 00	7 00	2 62	.....	.....	.....
Abbott's Creek	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	2 00	6 00
Center Cross.....	50	50	50	.....	50	50	30	2 80
Denton.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	56	3 80	1 74	7 60
El Dorado.....	1 00	50	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	.....	5 00
Holloway's	9 25	.....	.....	3 91	.....	1 67	1 33	16 16
Huldah	1 00	50	1 00	.....	.....	.....	35	2 85
Jackson's Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	4 05	.....	.....	8 00	2 00	20 26	2 55	34 31
Lexington.....	12 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 44	2 50	42 90
Liberty	4 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	71	12 71
Lick Creek.....	.....	10 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	.....	1 48	21 48
Maple Springs..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
Mt. Lebanon....	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	50	2 00	30	5 80
New Friendship	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 60	1 60
Oak Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00
Pine M. House..	.....	.....	5 00	2 30	2 00	10 00	2 37	21 67
Piney Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 40	1 40
Pleasant Fork..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reed's X Roads	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 35	1 90
Rich Fork.....	.....	.....	.....	2 06	2 18	18	86	5 28
Stoner's Grove	2 47	2 60	2 35	1 00	1 16	2 60	1 41	13 59
Summerville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	1 50
Thomasville	1 50	50	.....	25	.....	.....	86	3 11
Gravel Hill.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	2 00	55	4 55
Taylor's Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	44 28	26 60	27 85	34 02	15 47	68 45	25 66	250 58

Table of Pledges for 1902-1903.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions	Foreign Miss'ns	Education.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Relief.	Total.	Pledges for Baptist Female University.
Abbott's Creek	12 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	18 00	4 50	54 50	.....
Center Cross	.....	50	.....	1 00	50	50	2 50	.....
Denton	5 00	3 50	5 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	27 50	5 00
Gravel Hill	1 00	50	1 00	50	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00
Holloway's	15 00	5 00	12 00	5 00	20 00	3 00	60 00	25 00
Huldah	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	.....
Jackson's Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	18 00	6 00	18 00	8 00	25 00	2 00	77 00	30 00
Lexington	35 00	20 00	50 00	15 00	30 00	5 00	155 00	100 00
Liberty	4 00	5 00	11 00	3 00	10 00	1 50	24 50	5 00
Lick Creek	10 00	6 00	10 00	3 00	5 00	2 00	36 00	.....
Maple Springs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon	2 50	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	9 50	.....
New Friendship	15 00	6 00	10 00	5 00	25 00	2 00	63 00	.....
Oak Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	50 00	30 00	40 00	15 00	55 00	5 00	195 00	150 00
Pine M. House	11 00	6 00	6 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	40 00	25 00
Piney Grove	30 00	17 50	35 00	6 00	20 00	5 00	113 50	60 00
Pleasant Fork	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reed's X Roads	7 00	5 00	18 00	3 00	25 00	3 00	61 00	25 00
Rich Fork	7 00	3 00	6 00	2 50	6 00	1 50	26 00	25 00
Stoner's Grove	3 50	2 50	3 50	1 50	3 00	1 50	15 50	5 00
Summerville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Taylor's Grove	2 00	50	3 00	50	1 50	1 00	8 50	1 00
Thomasville	2 50	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	8 50	2 50
Union Meeting	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	3 00	63 00	.....
	243 50	137 00	254 50	97 00	280 00	48 50	1060 50	459 50

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1902.

CHURCHES.	Superinten'ts	Superintendent's Postoffice.	Secretary.	Secretary's Postoffice.	Officers and Teachers	No. Scholars.	Total.	No. of Schools.	No. Vol. in Library.	Quarterlies and papers taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from School
Abbott's Creek	D. D. Orrell..	Kernersville.....N. C.	W. D. Spurgeon.....	Orinoco.....N. C.	6	70	76	...	.....	75	12	30	...
Center Cross.....	No school.....	Reported	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Denton.....	W. B. Russell	Denton ..... "	W. T. Tysinger.....	Denton.....N. C.	8	128	136	1	80	100	12	61	...
El Dorado.....	LeeW. Harris	El Dorado..... "	W. E. Hall.....	El Dorado..... "	6	55	61	1	.....	34	6	28	...
Gravel Hill.....	A. A. Loflin..	Riley's Store... "	E. M. Russell.....	Riley's Store.. "	6	30	36	...	.....	.....	12	25	10
Holloway's	B. R. Cross..	Silver Hill..... "	H. J. Palmer.....	Silver Hill..... "	6	64	70	1	75	75	12	45	6
Huldah	Vester Moore	Mitchfield ..... "	M. F. Presnell.....	Mitchfield..... "	6	62	68	...	.....	45	...	35	...
Jackson's Creek	No school.....	Reported	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Jersey	J. D. Palmer	Linwood..... "	W. L. Smith.....	Linwood.....N. C.	7	100	107	...	.....	280	...	60	...
Lexington.....	C. W. Trice..	Lexington ..... "	James Smith.....	Lexington ..... "	25	230	255	3	.....	300	12	230	...
Liberty	D.T. Andrews	Hannersville ... "	Miss Lula Hepler.....	Hannersville... "	7	53	60	1	100	104	...	34	10
Lick Creek.....	P. M. Snider	Bringle's..... "	.....	.....	6	80	86	1	90	90	8	.....	...
Maple Springs..	No school.....	Reported	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Marion	" "	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Mt. Lebanon....	" "	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
New Friendship	" "	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Oak Hill.....	" "	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Orphanage.....	S. H. Averitt	Thomasville.... "	Jas. R. Price.....	Thomasville...N. C.	12	231	243	...	.....	241	12	230	...
Pine M. House..	J. H. Beck....	Churchland..... "	O. T. Davis.....	Churchland..... "	20	190	210	4	100	232	8	200	...
Piney Grove.....	T. S. Wall...	Wallburg ..... "	C. C. Smith	Wallburg..... "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Pleasant Fork..	No school.....	Reported	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Reed's X Roads	P. A. Myers..	Reed's..... "	Miss Sallie Myers....	Reed's.....N. C.	7	82	89	1	40	75	12	50	3
Rich Fork.....	Wm. Bowers	Jimes..... "	Oscar Bowers.....	Jimes..... "	11	74	85	1	.....	50	12	50	8
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner	Fairmont..... "	Charles Wrenn.....	Fairmont..... "	6	55	61	...	....	.....	...	35	6
Summerville.....	No school.....	Reported	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Taylor's Grove	A. H. Michael	Chandler ..... "	Miss Lizzie Taylor...	Chandler .....N. C.	7	55	62	1	....	55	...	36	2
Thomasville	H W Reinhart	Thomasville.... "	" Cora Morton.....	Thomasville... "	3	30	33	...	.....	.....	...	.....	...
					149	1789	1938	23	485	1656	...	1239	45

STATISTICAL TABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1902.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	Clerk's Postoffice.	ADDED.				LOST.								
			Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restorations.	Total.	Dis. by Letter	Exclusions.	Deaths.	Total.	Gain.	Loss.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague	Wallburg.....N. C.	22	1	1	23	1		3	4	19		56	113	169
Center Cross	John Cole	Seagrove ..... "	3			3					3		7	20	27
Denton	W. T. Tysinger	Denton ..... "						3		3		3	45	54	99
El Dorado	H. A. Henderson,	El Dorado... "	2			2	9	2	2	13		11	11	26	37
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell	Riley's Store "	12	1		13							12	14	26
Holloway's	B. R. Cross	Silver Hill... "	9			9	1	1	2	4	5		60	113	173
Huldah	Vester Moore	Mitchfield.... "											6	12	18
Jackson's Creek	No report	Statistics last year											26	76	102
Jersey	G. W. Palmer	Linwood .....N. C.	6	5		11	5	17		22		11	67	83	150
Lexington	A. B. Willis	Lexington..... "	4	9		13	16		4	20		7	82	123	205
Liberty	J. M. Easter	Hannersville "	15	1	3	19	6	65		71		52	47	83	130
Lick Creek	J. A. Kinney	Healing Sp's "			1	1	20	1	3	24		23	56	68	124
Maple Springs	No report	Statistics last year											8	27	35
Marion	R. S. Green, Sr	Lexington....N. C.													5
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welch	Pisgah ..... "		3		3	3			3			13	27	40
New Friendship	S. A. Hege	Winston-Salem . "		2		2	1	2	3	6		4	34	71	105
Oak Hill	No report	Statistics last year											10	17	27
Orphanage	N. B. Moore	Thomasville, N. C.		1		1	18	2		20		19	53	77	130
Pine M. House	R. K. Williams	Swift..... "	21	1	4	26	2	13	3	18	8		77	133	210
Piney Grove	P. E. Whicker	Bethany ..... "	6	1		7	1		3	4	3		24	39	63
Pleasant Fork	No report	Statistics last year											8	10	18
Reed's X Roads	D. C. Craver.	Reed's .....N. C.	5	2	1	8	5	2	1	8			63	93	156
Rich Fork	J. F. Clinard	Thomasville, "	23	1		24		1	3	4	20		33	63	96
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner	Fairmont ..... "	6	3		9					9		21	27	48
Summerville	No report	Statistics last year											14	40	54
Taylor's Grove	C. L. Bailey	Chandler.....N. C.	4			4							9	14	23
Thomasville	H. W. Reinhart	Thomasville, "	1	2		3	3		1	4	1		7	19	26
			139	32	10	181	91	109	27	227	68	130	849	1462	2316

FINANCIAL TABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1902.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Pastor's Postoffice.	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	S. S. Expenses.	The Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions	Foreign Miss'ns	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	J. M. Hilliard...	High Point.....N. C.	100 00	50 00	33 10	6 00	.....	15 00	3 00	13 00	22 11	.....	4 00	3 50	.....	2 00	251 71
Center Cross.....	Lee W. Harris...	El Dorado..... "	20 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	50	50	50	.....	.....	50	.....	30	23 12
Denton.....	Jeff Lanning,...	Denton..... "	75 00	.....	9 89	13 49	.....	5 00	2 50	4 00	9 00	.....	1 50	1 06	16 72	1 74	139 90
El Dorado.....	Lee W. Harris...	El Dorado..... "	14 71	.....	.....	82	.....	1 00	1 00	50	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	21 03
Gravel Hill.....	L. G. Lewis.....	N. Hope Aca'y "	25 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 00
Holloway's	J. R. Miller.....	Thomasville.... "	100 00	.....	.....	5 08	.....	17 00	5 18	11 95	20 00	.....	5 87	3 93	12 00	1 33	182 34
Huldah	Lee W. Harris...	El Dorado..... "	15 00	35 00	.....	1 62	.....	1 00	1 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	54 47
Jackson's Creek	Not represented	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	J. R. Miller.....	Thomasville....N. C.	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	6 00	14 45	20 26	.....	8 00	2 00	12 00	2 55	233 26
Lexington.....	W. A. Smith...	Lexington ..... "	550 00	136 92	97 41	114 41	.....	38 08	16 25	36 00	25 00	.....	16 80	5 00	9 00	2 50	1047 37
Liberty	J. A. Summey...	Hannersville ... "	75 00	33 25	15 30	2 20	.....	4 00	4 00	10 00	10 00	.....	3 00	1 50	14 10	71	173 06
Lick Creek.....	" " ...	Hannersville ... "	75 00	900 00	15 00	4 00	3 05	6 00	5 00	10 00	.....	.....	3 00	2 00	.....	1 48	1024 53
Maple Springs..	Not represented	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon....	M. J. Leach...	Lassiter.....N. C.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	1 00	5 00	2 00	.....	50	50	.....	30	11 30
New Friendship	F. H. Jones.....	Reidsville..... "	125 00	.....	33 89	.....	.....	15 00	6 00	10 00	76 95	.....	5 00	2 00	.....	1 60	275 44
Oak Hill.....	Not represented	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage.....	J B Richardson	High Point.....N. C.	88 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 54	27 18	36 03	156 00	.....	4 50	2 16	1 46	.....	376 61
Pine M. House..	Jeff Lanning...	Denton..... "	100 00	.....	32 00	17 76	.....	11 00	5 00	6 00	10 00	.....	2 30	2 00	.....	2 37	188 43
Piney Grove.....	Henry Sheets...	Lexington ..... "	100 00	.....	10 00	22 50	.....	27 00	20 27	30 00	20 00	.....	5 67	4 30	1 34	1 40	375 14
Pleasant Fork..	Not represented	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reed's X Roads	Jno. R. Miller,	Thomasville....N. C.	100 00	.....	11 20	11 15	.....	8 55	4 71	10 63	15 00	4 19	2 81	2 18	4 05	1 35	175 82
Rich Fork.....	" " "	Thomasville.... "	80 00	.....	.....	4 50	.....	8 32	5 45	7 75	6 00	15 00	2 06	2 18	.....	86	132 12
Stoner's Grove	Jeff Lanning....	Denton ..... "	50 00	30 00	28 00	3 00	.....	3 40	2 35	2 60	2 60	.....	1 00	1 16	.....	1 41	125 52
Summerville.....	Not represented	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Taylor's Grove	J. A. Summey	Hannersville...N. C.	52 50	844 99	1 25	2 25	1 00	2 40	1 00	2 08	1 46	.....	.....	.....	12 00	.....	920 93
Thomasville	J B Richardson	High Point..... "	10 83	.....	2 33	2 36	.....	1 50	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	86	18 38
			1907 10	2030 16	289 37	217 14	4 05	242 29	117 39	212 49	402 38	19 19	67 01	40 97	215 33	23 11	5787 98

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MODERATOR: James Smith, Lexington, N. C.

CLERK: Henry Sheets, Lexington, N. C.

TREASURER: S. H Averitt, Thomasville, N C.

PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT SESSION:

Next session of Liberty Association will convene with the church at Pine M. House, seven miles northwest from Linwood Station, on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August, 1904. The Introductory Sermon by Elder G. P. Harrill; Alternate, Elder J. D. Newton.

List of Ordained Ministers in Liberty Association, Aug., 1903.

Adderton, W. S., ... Denton, N. C
Boone, J. B., ... Thomasville, N. C.
Harrill, G. P., ... Thomasville, N. C.
Lanning, Jeff, ... Denton, N. C.
Leach, M. J., ... Lassiter, N. C.
Miller, John R., ... Thomasville, N. C.
Morton, H., ... Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D., ... Thomasville, N. C.
Orrell, N. B., ... Kernersville, R. F. D., N. C.
Sheets, Henry, ... Lexington, N. C.
Smith, W. A., ... Lexington, N. C.
Stoker, A. P., ... Denton, N. C.
Summey, John A., ... Hannersville, N. C.

Executive Board.

John R. Miller, James Smith,
William Bowers, W. C. Roach,
C. M. Wall.

Proceedings.

JERSEY BAPTIST CHURCH, August 18, 1903.

Liberty Baptist Association met with this church to-day in its Seventieth annual Session. The Annual Sermon was preached by Elder W. A. Smith, from II. Cor., 4: 6.

INTERMISSION FOR DINNER.

On reassembling, Elder J. D. Newton conducted religious exercises, reading Thirty-fourth Psalm and leading in prayer.

The Moderator then called the body to order and proceeded to call the roll of churches. Elders W. A. Smith and John R. Miller were appointed Reading Clerks.

The names of Messengers were enrolled as follows:

Abbott's Creek—N. R. Teague and C. H. Teague.

Asheboro—R. L. Deaton.

Center Cross—By letter.

Denton—W. B. Russell, J. G. Snider and Arthur Lanning.

Gravel Hill—Branson I. Sheets and W. D. Loflin.

Holloway's—J. M. Prim, Sr., J. F. Carrick and J. A. Carrick.

Huldah—By letter.

Jackson's Creek—Not represented.

Jersey—Z. T. Sharpe, L. A. Smith and G. W. Palmer.

Lexington—H. P. Gallimore, John T. Yarbrough and R. B. Miller.

Liberty—Ellis Summey and Charles Hepler.

Lick Creek—P. M. Snider.

Maple Springs—Not represented.

Marion—Not represented.

Mt. Lebanon—Not represented.

New Friendship—R. S. Snider.

Oak Hill—Not represented.

Orphanage—G. P. Harrill.

Pine M. House—W. T. Beck and R. K. Williams.

Piney Grove—C. M. Wall and Ezra Matsinger.

Pleasant Fork—Not represented.

Reed's X Roads—C. H. Fritts.

Rich Fork—R. S. Green, Jr., and William Clinard.

Stoner's Grove—W. C. Roach, John H. Wofford and O. L. Stoner.

Summerville—By letter.

Taylor's Grove—John Rogers.

Thomasville—A. J. Olive, John R. Miller and H. Morton.

After the enrollment of Messengers Bro. John R. Miller moved that Bro. W. A. Smith cast the vote of the body for Bro. James Smith as Moderator during the ensuing year, which duty was duly performed. The Clerk, Henry Sheets, and Treasurer, S. H. Averitt, were both re-elected.

Invitation to Visiting Brethren.

The following brethren accepted seats in the body: Bro. Ernest L. Green, of the Central Association, and Principal-elect of the Liberty Association High School; Prof. J. H. Garrell, of Wake Forest College; Elder S. J. Beeker, representing the *North Carolina Baptist;* Elder J. S. Farmer, of the *Biblical Recorder;* Bro. S. J. Hasty, of the Union Association and Principal-elect of the Academy at Churchland, and Bro. H. A. Rowe, of the Mt. Zion Association.

Elder J. D. Newton read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The best method of informing our people about our denominational work is through the medium of our papers. You can hardly find an intelligent Christian home where there is not a Christian paper. This is perhaps an age when the press exerts a greater influence than any age of the past. We can hardly conceive of the mighty effect of the press if all its power was turned in the direction of serving the Lord and Master.

But we are grateful for the earnest and intellectual men whose energies are being given to editing religious journals and writing their thoughts for the benefit of the brotherhood and the glory of God. The Lord add strength and wisdom to our brethren who have the responsibility of publishing our denominational papers in North Carolina.

The Biblical Recorder fills a large place in the hearts of the Baptists of our State. Its influence and power is spreading more and more as the years go by.

Charity and Children gives the news from our Orphanage and Sunday-schools do well to have large numbers of copies coming to them week after week.

The North Carolina Baptist deserves a wide and close reading. We heartily recommend the Foreign Mission Journal of Richmond, Va., to our Churches, as an indispensable help in informing our people of the great work of Foreign Missions.

The Church Worker, Lexington, N. C., is a very readable paper, which is sent to subscribers for only twenty-five cents a year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. NEWTON,
P. M. SNIDER.

The report was spoken to by Elders J. D. Newton, J. S. Farmer, S. J. Beeker, Henry Sheets, G. P. Harrill, W. A. Smith and Prof. J. H. Garrell, after which the report was adopted.

The committees named below were appointed:

On Arrangements—W. A. Smith, G. P. Harrill and R. S. Green, Jr.

On Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of this church.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

After the service of song, the benediction was pronounced by Elder G. P. Harrill.

Wednesday Morning, August 19th.

Religious exercises conducted by Elder R. A. Moore. Read 34th Psalm.

The body was then called to order for business. The Moderator gave a second invitation to visitors. Elders R. A. Moore, of the Robeson Association; W. H. Rich, of the Atlantic; Thomas Carrick, of the Piedmont; also Elder Livington Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, were recognized by the chair and accepted seats.

Bro. W. A. Smith read a partial Report on Arrangement.

Elder G. P. Harrill read the following:

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The number of children now in care of the Orphanage is 260. This is the largest number we have ever reported to the Association. In the near future three new buildings are to be erected. One by Mr. E. F. Aydlett, of Elizabeth City; another by the Chowan Association, and a third by Mr. J. C. Whitty, of New Bern, in memory of a beloved daughter, who has passed into the skies. These buildings will be opened as soon as they are finished, and will swell the number to about 375.

At the last meeting of the Orphanage Board, held in July, a resolution was passed that not a dollar of any invested fund should be used in purchasing supplies for the children, but that all the interest accruing from such funds should be expended in the improvement of the plant. Thus the burden of support, instead of being lessened, is really increased by the bequests which have been left to the Orphanage. The Lord seems to have intended the obligation to feed and clothe the children to rest on the hearts of the Churches. As buildings have been needed from time to time He has raised up men and women of means to erect them, but always the current fund has been provided by the rank and file of our people. This will ever be true, and it would be a calamity if it were otherwise.

These things being true, your Committee would urge the necessity of an increased contribution from every Church in the Association. This institution should be particularly dear to us, for it is right at our doors and we should lead the way in the enlargement of the work of the Orphanage. We would also urge a monthly contribution to the Orphanage by our Sunday-schools. This plan is working well in hundreds of Sunday-schools in the State. It ought to work better in the Liberty Association than anywhere else. Shall we be recreant while others go forward? Shall we prove ourselves laggards under the shadow of the Orphanage? The call comes to us louder than to others. Let us promptly and nobly respond.

S. H. AVERITT.

Speeches were made on the above report by Elders G. P. Harrill, W. H. Rich and Thomas Carrick. After pledges had been taken, the report was adopted.

On motion of Elder H. Morton, the Clerk was authorized to place the amounts pledged last year to the churches which failed to report this year, to be paid by August, 1904.

The Chair appointed the following committees to report next year on the subjects assigned:

On State Missions—W. A. Smith and W. C. Barnes.
On Home Missions—Jeff Lanning and B. I. Sheets.
On Foreign Missions—G. P. Harrill and Z. T. Sharpe.
On Periodicals—Henry Sheets and C. M. Wall.
On Education—R S. Green, Jr., and R. K. Williams.
On Baptist Orphanage—John R. Miller and T. H. Small.
On Sunday Schools—P. M. Snider and J. M. Prim, Sr
On Minister's Relief—N. R. Teague and W. D. Loflin.
On Temperance—J. A. Summey and J. A. Carrick.
On Obituaries—J. D. Newton and H. Morton.

To Report at This Meeting.

On Place and Preacher—W. A. Smith, John R. Miller and A. J. Olive.

To Name Executive Board—G. P. Harrill, Jeff Lanning and N. R. Teague.

Committee on Finance—R. S. Green, Jr., and Arthur Lanning.

The very able and interesting report on State Missions was read by Elder John R. Miller.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

All mission work rests on the same foundation, namely: The command of Christ. There is, therefore, no difference as to the importance of our several classifications of missions, only in proportion to their needs.

State missions is that part of our mission work which seeks to

evangelize and develop the people of North Carolina for greater service in the Master's kingdom. The two main objects, then, of State missions are evangelization and development.

1st. Evangelization. While we sometimes look upon North Carolinians as a people well advanced in Christianity, if we stop and take a more careful view we will find that there is much destitution within our bounds. By far the larger part of our population make no claims of religion. In the Eastern part of the State there are large sections, even whole counties, without a resident minister; very few Churches, and scarcely any preaching. And this is true, not only of the East, but here in our own midst, in the Piedmont section, there are large areas of country without Baptist preaching and Baptist Churches.

We need to occupy these places; first, because the people in these sections should have the Gospel as we preach it; Christ commands that His Gospel should be preached to all people, and if we have His Gospel, then we are, as Paul said, debtors to all men everywhere to preach it unto them, whether in North Carolina or the isles of the sea.

And again, there surely never has been a time when error was making a greater effort to capture the people than it is now doing. What may we expect to be the result of the teachings of Christian Scientists in our towns; Sinless Perfectionists in our factory districts, and Mormons in our neglected country communities? With all these, and others, seeking through covetousness and with feigned words to make merchandise of our people (II Pet. 2: 3); is it not needful to preach the Gospel in its purity to the people of our own State? For nothing but the whole Gospel of Christ, fearlessly and faithfully proclaimed, can meet and defeat these *isms*, and save men from error and sin.

2d. Development: Christ when here on earth, said to the fishermen of Galilee: "Follow me, and I will make you to become fishers of men." His invitation, and at the same time command, to the idlers in the market, was, "Go into my vineyard and work." Further, the one great law of entrance into His kingdom is laid down in these words: "And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." Salvation, then, means self-denial, cross bearing, obedience, service. "We are called for a purpose;" "We are saved to serve."

Therefore, it is also a part of the work of the State Mission Board to enlist and utilize more fully in the Master's service, the combined strength of the more than 170,000 Baptists in North Carolina.

In the Western part of our State we have a great host of Baptist people, who seem to be unconscious of their great strength, and not awake to the responsibility resting upon them as "Soldiers of the cross." They need development.

And not only in Western North Carolina, but I am persuaded that also in Central and Eastern North Carolina our people need to have their "Pure minds stirred up by way of remembrance," that we, too, might be more mindful of the commandments of our Lord and Master. Hundreds of Churches, and thousands of Baptist people in North Carolina only add length to the roll-call of our denomination. What can be done—yes, what must be done—that we may reach and develop these people? They are good people, Christian men and women, saved by grace, but they seem never to have been touched with that holy zeal which makes one willing to lay down his life—to sacrifice for the cause of our Master.

Our State Board is making an effort to reach some of these people

in the Western part of the State by means of education; and, to my mind, nothing ought to be left undone which carries with it the hope of enlisting our dormant forces. While it may not be the place of an Associational Committee to make suggestions to the State Board, yet it seems to me that something more should be done, in order to awake the large number of our people who are sleeping in their tents. Could we not inaugurate something like Pastors' Institutes, Missionary Institutes, or something of that order, by which we could enlist the pastors, and through them reach the Churches? Development, as I see it, is the one great need of our denomination in North Carolina to-day.

One thing is certain, we cannot give to others that which we do not possess ourselves. Lifeless and anti-mission Churches will never lead sinners to Christ at home or abroad. If we would give the Gospel to the world, we must have it at home; we must evangelize the State; we must develop our forces, and in proportion as we do these things, we will be able to conquer the world for Christ.

JOHN R. MILLER.

P. S. Brother A. A. Loflin, who was appointed with me on this report, has been called to the Great Association beyond this life.

J. R. M.

Secretary Livingston Johnson made an able and instructive speech on the above report. Pledges were then taken. Report adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

Benediction by Elder Thomas Carrick.

Wednesday Afternoon, August 19th.

Bro. W. A. Smith read the report of Committee on Associational High School.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.

Whereas, the union meeting of the Liberty Association convened at Reed's Cross Roads in November, 1902, recognizing the need of a first-class associational school within its bounds, appointed an investigating committee to report at the following union meeting to to be held at Denton in March of 1903, as to the advisability of establishing such a school, and the most favorable place for its location, and

Whereas, this committee reported it an advisable undertaking at said meeting, and by its authority were continued for further investigation as to the most favorable place to locate the school, with instructions to report at the union meeting to be held at Piney Grove in May; and,

Whereas, at the union meeting in session at Piney Grove, the same committee were continued and authorized to decide upon the location, so soon as the necessary information could be obtained in regard to the probable support and maintenance of said school; pending the approval and endorsement of this Association in its regular session; and,

Whereas, this committee, after careful investigation, decided that Wallburg, N. C., all things considered, was the most favorable location and offered, by far, the best advantages, and therefore located the school there. Be it, therefore,

Resolved by this, the Liberty Association, That we do approve and endorse the actions of these several unions of the Association and their committees and recognize the school thus established as the Liberty Association School and give it our hearty support.

COMMITTEE.

Addresses were made by Brethren W. A. Smith and E. L. Green in behalf of the report and the work contemplated.

The report was then adopted.

Indisposition kept Elder J. M. Hilliard from attending this session of the Association, but he prepared and sent the report below, which was read by Bro. John R. Miller:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We have never seen such efforts put forth, by nearly all of our people, along the line of general education as are being put forth at present, and this means that something will be done to educate the masses. We are glad that such efforts are being put forth, and shall rejoice, when every boy and girl in our State, shall have an opportunity to get at least enough education to prepare them to be good and intelligent citizens, and that they may be prepared to serve their God and their fellow-man to a better advantage.

We, as a denomination, must not fall behind in this great work, but be among the leaders, for if we should fail to do our part, we will suffer a great loss to our denomination that we could not repair soon.

So, then, let us do our part in the general education of our people, especially let us look after our own institutions—Wake Forest is the place for our boys and the Baptist Female University is the place for our girls, and let us not forget our many private colleges such as Oxford Seminary, Chowan Institute, and our many other noble schools.

We of the Libertly Association should look well to our own associational school at Wallburg, and do all we can to help our principal, Professor Earnest Green, and his assistants in their struggle to build up our Academy.

REV. J. M. HILLIARD.

After addresses by Prof. J. H. Garrell and Elder J. S. Farmer, which included general education as well, pledges were taken for ministerial education, and then the report was adopted.

The Report on Home Missions was read by Bro. G. P. Harrill.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845, for the purpose of giving the gospel not only to the white people, but to the Indians and Negroes in destitute parts of the territory covered by the Southern Baptist Convention. This territory is now composed of the Southern States, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Cuba.

Into our Southland foreigners are coming by the thousands every month, bringing with them doctrines and practices that are not only

alien to our faith, but subversive and antagonistic to it. Many of these foreigners go directly to the Western Frontiers, there to make their homes side by side with our own kinsmen from the Eastern States. We must evangelize them or they will heathenize our kinsmen. And this is done largely by the missionaries employed by our Home Board.

Let us remember that the Home Mission Board works in co-operation with our State Boards, and in no sense does it antagonize or compete with them. One great work of the Home Board has been to help some of the States to organize, and to strengthen those already organized.

Let us not forget, also, that the Home Board has helped no little to make us strong in our own State; the churches in Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Asheville, Raleigh, Goldsboro, New Bern, Edenton, Tarboro, Elizabeth City, Washington, Chapel Hill, Warrenton, Hendersonville, Waynesville, Bryson City, Murphy and Concord have all been aided by the Home Board.

In view of the above facts we recommend that the churches increase their pledges to the Home Mission Board.

G. P. HARRILL, for Committee.

Remarks were made on the above report by Secretary Johnson, Elders S. J. Beeker and W. A. Smith. After pledges had been secured, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Place and Preacher made the following report:

That, Pine Meeting House be the place and Elder G. P. Harrill the preacher; Alternate—Elder J. D. Newton.

W. A. Smith read the following

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

It is with gratitude to God that we mark the onward strides in our Foreign Mission work as carried on by the Southern Baptist Convention. The past year appears to have been the most successful in the history of the Convention. During the last Convention year over $200,000 was contributed to Foreign Missions in Southern Convention, and the present year we obligated to raise $300,000 for this purpose. Last year's report shows 1,439 baptisms on Foreign fields, while we report at present about 1800 baptisms during the year just closed.

At our last State Convention at Durham, we advanced our pledges from $12,000 to $20,000 for Foreign Missions which means an increase of some sixty per cent. on the former year, and if we meet our part must make this advance in our pledges.

Nearly three fourths of the world is yet in heathen darkness and the command of Christ is to "go preach the gospel to every creature," and we shall prove recreant to our trust unless we meet the demand and "go forward."

We have now about 118 missionaries on the field and the demand is for an increase in our mission forces, and there are others ready to go, if only the necessary means were in hand to support them. Brethren can we stand in the judgment and face the indifference which seems so prevalent among the churches to which we belong?

May the Spirit of God lead us in this the mightiest work in this

world—the leading of the world to Him who taketh away the sins of the world.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. SMITH,
O. L. STONER,
Committee.

Elder W. H. Rich made an able speech on the report; pledges taken; report adopted.

A small Baptist church was constituted at night on the 27th of November, 1902, containing seven members. This little band came forward through the pastor, Elder J. D. Newton and Delegate R. L. Deaton, presented an application for membership in this body and on motion was unanimously received into our fellowship, the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.

The committee to nominate the Executive Board for the ensuing year made the following report:

We recommend the continuation of the present Board, viz: John R. Miller, James Smith, W. C. Roach, William Bowers and C. M. Wall.

The committee to name four Trustees in behalf of this body for the Liberty Associational High School, named the following brethren: W. A. Smith, R. S. Green, Jr., J. A. Carrick and Archibald Johnson.

The Committee on Arrangements reported for the work to-morrow as follows:

9:30–10—Devotional Exercises.
10–10:30—Sunday Schools.
10:30–11—Ministerial Relief.
11–11:30—Temperance.
11:30–12—Miscellaneous.
12 M.—Adjournment.

On motion adjourned.

Benediction by Livingston Johnson.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 20TH.

Religious exercises conducted by Elder H. Morton. At the close of this service the body was called to order. Elder Jeff Lanning read the following

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday School beg leave to report the following:

We believe that the Sunday School is a part of church work, and that it is the duty of both pastor and church to engage in this work.

We are glad that we can report a growing interest among our churches to teach Bible truths to the young people. How important that our children have a knowledge of the Bible early in life.

We believe the Sunday School to be a great means by which to develop the membership of the churches in all departments of the Lord's work.

We recommend the use of our Sunday School literature to all of our Sunday Schools.

Respectfully submitted,
JEFF LANNING, Committee.

Elder Lanning spoke to this report in an interesting and humorous vein. On motion, the speeches were limited to five minutes in length during the remainder of the session.

Bro. H. A. Rome followed Bro. Lanning.

The report adopted.

Bro. Henry Sheets read the

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF.

Many of God's servants in the ministry have done their work, and without a just compensation, giving their time largely to this work, and now in old age, some of them or their widows are without the means of support.

The Convention decided several years ago to make the care of these aged ministers an object of their contributions and prayers.

This Association has for several years been aiding this worthy object, and your committee has hope that the churches will never forget these faithful soldiers of the Cross. It is urged that a special collection be taken at least once a year for this work and that a month's notice of such collection be given and that every member of the churches help this work. Will not the deacons and other laymen take the lead in this work?

HENRY SHEETS,
W. C. BARNES,
Committee.

Remarks were submitted by Bro. W. C. Barnes and Elder R. A. Moore. Report adopted.

Bro. N. R. Teague read report as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

While there are many ways of intemperance, yet the use of intoxicating drink usually leads to other intemperate habits. It is a deadly poison if persisted in—causing death of both soul and body. It is ruining the youth of our land and is hindering the progress of both Church and State.

It is corrupting our Legislature and government and is the father of most of the crimes of our land either directly or indirectly. When viewing it in a true light it is alarming.

We are glad to report however that the temperance people of our State are aroused, and are manifesting the greatest interest in the cause that has ever been known; consequently a mighty opposing force is rising, and a great battle is on. And inasmuch as we failed to get a law in our last Legislature which would have largely regulated the "Liquor Traffic" if enforced—shall not our churches use their influence in order that temperance men may be selected to make laws for our country. In order that we be fully equip-

ped we recommend local organization that teach individual member may feel his responsibility in this great struggle and in helping to enforce the laws we already have because laws will not prohibit unless enforced. After all it is largely in the hands of the people as well or even more than the politician. Surely then the Christian people of our State should lead and stand firm in fighting this mighty giant. Trusting and having faith in the Lord that our State may be rescued from this mighty evil.

Respectfully submitted,

N. R. TEAGUE.

This report brought a lively and interesting discussion, participated in by N. R. Teague, G. P. Harrill, Jeff Lanning, S. J. Beeker, H. Morton and John R. Miller.

The report was adopted by a hearty vote.

A report was called for in regard to history of Liberty Association. On account of press of other business, the manuscript has not all been prepared for the printer, but will be, the Lord willing, before another session of this body.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to secure financial support for the publication of the history, viz: G. P. Harrill, John R. Miller and C. M. Wall.

CHURCHES.	S. M.	F. M.	H. M.	Ed.	M. R.	Or.	M. F.	Total.
Asheboro	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	30
Abbott's Creek	4 00	.....	....	5 00	4 50	8 80	1 50	23 80
Center Cross	50	50	50	50	50	50	25	3 25
Denton	.....	1 96	3 50	2 00	2 00	1 39	1 23	12 08
Holloway's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	1 85	21 85
Jersey	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	2 22	2 57
Lexington	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	30 00	2 50	32 50
Liberty	.....	4 00	2 00	3 00	1 50	10 00	1 35	21 85
Lick Creek	5 35	5 63	3 20	1 60	1 00	6 18	1 05	24 01
Mt. Lebanon	2 50	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	35	10 85
New Friendship	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	1 50
Orphanage	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....
Piney Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 57	1 75	13 32
Reed's X Roads	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 35	1 35
Rich Fork	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	1 00	7 00
Stoner's Grove	.....	....	.....	1 50	1 72	3 22	1 02	7 46
Thomasville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	75
Gravel Hilll	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	52
Taylor's Grove	1 30	2 05	50	....	.....	1 50	50	5 85
Total	13 65	17 14	10 70	14 60	12 22	101 51	20 99	193 51

$2.70 from Gravel Hill to finish pledges.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. GREEN, Jr.,
N. R. TEAGUE,
Committee.

Elder G. P. Harrill was appointed a delegate to Southern Baptist Convention. Alternate—John R. Miller.

The following brethren were appointed as delegates to the Baptist State Convention next December: H. Morton, Jas. Smith and N. R. Teague. Alternates—Jeff Lanning, Henry Sheets and Z. T. Sharpe.

Bro. C. M. Wall was appointed as Associational delegate to represent our Association at the meetings of the State Board, and that the churches pay his travelling expenses.

Bro. Henry Sheets offered the following for the consideration of the body:

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTION.

Whereas, There is no place within the bounds of the Liberty Association, where Church or Associational records can be preserved for the benefit of the future historian; therefore, be it,

Resolved, That the churches composing the Liberty Association, take into consideration the advisability of buliding a fire proof vault at such place, as may be agreed upon at some future time, in which all our Church and Associational records together with all such historical data as may be made and recorded, can be preserved against fire or the ravages of time.

While no speeches were made, there were words of approval by all, so far as was ascertained. It is hoped that at no distant day such provision will be made. On motion, the above was adopted.

Treasurer Averitt offered the report which follows:

LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT.

AMOUNT RECEIVED.

State Missions	$ 135 53
Home Missions	68 22
Foreign Missions	84 03
Educaiton	10 38
Ministerial Relief	22 47
Baptist Female University	175 64
Sunday School Missions	4 99
Minute Fund	25 66
Total	$ 526 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

State Missions	$ 135 53
Home Missions	68 22
Foreign Missions	84 03
Education	10 38
Ministerial Relief	22 47
Baptist Female University	175 64
Sunday School Missions	4 99
Minute Fund	25 66
Total	$ 526 92

S. H. AVERITT, Treasurer.

The above report adopted.

Bro. S. H. Averitt moved that the Clerk superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that he be allowed ten dollars for his services. Motion carried.

It was further moved and carried that the churches be asked to make the Minute fund $28.00, if needed, to print the usual amount of Minutes.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Lexington Baptist Church, having a membership of 35, have contributed during the year the following amounts:

Foreign Missions	$ 6 75
State Missions	10 25
Home Missions	6 00
Christmas Offering	1 66
Church debt	82 07
Total	$ 106 73

Report of Committee on Finance.

CHURCHES.	State Miss.	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Minister's R. Board.	Minute Fund.
Abbott's Creek	4 00			8 80	5 00	4 50	1 50
Asheboro							
Center Cross	50	50	50	50	50	50	25
Denton		3 50	1 96	1 39	2 00	2 00	1 23
Gravel Hill				1 20	1 50	1 00	52
Holloway's				20 00			1 85
Huldah							21
Jersey				35			2 22
Lexington				30 00			2 50
Liberty		2 00	4 00	10 00	3 00	1 50	1 35
Lick Creek	5 35	3 20	5 63	6 18	1 60	1 00	1 05
New Friendship							1 50
Orphanage							2 00
Mt. Lebanon	2 50	1 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	35
Pine M'g House							1 62
Piney Grove				11 57			1 75
Reed's Cross Roads							1 35
Rich Fork				6 00			1 00
Stoner's Grove				3 22	1 50	1 72	1 02
Taylor's Grove	1 30	50	2 05	1 50			50
Thomasville							75
Totals	13 65	10 70	17 14	102 71	15 10	13 22	24 52

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That we, the delegates and visitors of this Association, do hereby express our sincere and heartfelt thanks for the kind hospitality extended to us by the brethren and sisters of Jersey Church during the session of the Liberty Association.

G. P. HARRILL.

The above resolution was adopted with a most hearty vote.

Thus ended a good, harmonious session of the Liberty Association. Now it remains for pastors and people to carry out the work mapped out for the year ending August, 1904. May the Lord give us grace to go far beyond what has been planned.

We must note the excellent service rendered by the choir. The young folks acquitted themselves well in the service of song, and visitors fully appreciated it.

Adjourned to meet at Pine M. House on Tuesday after third Sunday in August, 1904.

JAMES SMITH, Moderator.

HENRY SHEETS, Clerk.

Table of Pledges for 1903-1904.

CHURCHES.	Orphanage.	State Miss.	Education	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Ministerial Relief Bd.
Abbott's Creek	18 00	13 00	5 00	5 00	10 50	3 50
Center Cross	50	50	1 00	50	50	50
Denton	10 00	6 00	2 00	3 50	5 00	3 00
Gravel Hill	1 25	1 25	50	50	1 50	1 00
Holloway's	.....	15 00	5 00	5 00	12 00	3 50
Huldah	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00
Jackson's Creek	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	20 00	20 00	8 00	5 00	18 00	2 00
Lexington	40 00	35 00	15 00	20 00	50 00	5 00
Liberty	10 50	4 00	3 00	5 00	11 00	1 50
Lick Creek	6 00	10 00	3 00	6 00	10 00	1 50
Maple Spring	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon	.....	2 50	.....	1 00	.....	1 00
New Friendship	25 00	10 00	3 00	6 00	10 00	1 00
Oak Hill	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	55 00	50 00	15 00	30 00	40 00	5 00
Pine M. House	15 00	12 00	5 00	6 00	6 00	2 00
Piney Grove	20 00	35 00	6 00	18 00	30 00	5 00
Pleasant Fork	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reed's Cross Roads	15 00	8 00	3 00	5 00	18 00	3 00
Rich Fork	7 00	8 00	3 00	3 50	7 00	2 00
Stoner's Grove	3 50	3 50	1 50	2 50	3 50	1 50
Summersville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Taylor's Grove	1 50	3 00	50	50	1 50	1 00
Thomasville	2 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	1 00
Totals	251 25	240 75	81 50	126 00	237 50	45 00

Sunday School Statistics of Liberty Association, August, 1903.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND P. O.	SECRETARIES AND P. O.	Officers and Teachers.	Number Scholars.	Total.	Number Schools.	Number Vols. in Library.	Quart'lies and Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from School.	School Expenses.
Abbott's Creek	N. R. Teague, Kernersville, R.F.D.		8	69	77	1				35		
Asheboro	No report											
Center Cross	John Cole, Seagrove	M. J. Freeman, Seagrove	5	22	27			23		13		
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton	W. T. Tysinger, Denton	7	126	133	1	100	120	12	55		19 72
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loflin, Riley's Store	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store							12	30		4 50
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill	5	56	61	1	75	50	12	35		5 19
Huldah	A. L. Bean, Michfield	W. L. Clark, Michfield	6	62	68			52		35		1 75
Jackson's Creek	No report											
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood		8	97	105			100				11 00
Lexington	C. W. Trice, Lexington	James Smith, Lexington	24	265	289	2		300	12	187	4	104 13
Liberty	D. T. Andrews, Hannersville	S. H. Kindley, Hannersville	8	115	123	1	100	75		45		3 53
Lick Creek	J. A. Kinney, Healing Springs		12	78	90	1	100	100				23 00
Maple Springs	No report											
Marion	No report											
Mt. Lebanon	No report											
New Friendship	F. Wilson, Winston-Salem, R.F.D.			32						25		
Oak Hill	No report											
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	Jas. R. Price, Thomasville	13	270	283			290	12	253	32	12 85
Pine M. House	J. H. Beck, Jubilee	H. L. Koonts, Churchland	12	149	161	2	100	165	9	100		
Piney Grove	T. S. Wall, Wallburg	C. C. Smith, Wallburg	6	70	76	1		120	12	50	9	8 00
Pleasant Fork	No report											
Reed's Cross Roads	P. A. Myers, Reed's	Miss Annie G. Craver, Reed's	6	75	81	1	50	90	12	50	3	8 00
Rich Fork	Wm. Bowers, Jimes		7	48	55	1	40			35		5 40
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Fairmont		6	50	56			174	12	40		
Summerville	No School reported											
Taylor's Grove	A. H. Michael, Chandler's	John Rogers, Versale	4	40	44			36	6	25		3 00
Thomasville	H. W. Rheinhart, Thomasville		6	50	56	1		53		25	1	5 07
			143	1674	1817	14	565	1748		1038	49	182 36

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND P. O.	Added				Lost.				Gain	Loss.	Males.	Females	Totals.
		Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dis by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.					
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	9	1	...	10	1	4	2	7	3	...	60	112	172
Asheboro	R. L Deaton, Asheboro	..	...	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	3	8
Center Cross	John Cole, Seagrove	..	...	....	....	.	...	..	....	...	..	7	20	27
Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	5	....	....	5	2	3	2	7	....	2	50	53	103
Gravel Hill	E. M Russell, Riley's Store	5	1	...	6	....	1	1	....	4	....	10	20	30
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	6	..	1	7	5	...	2	7	..	...	61	112	173
Huldah	Vester Moore. Michfield	1	1	.	2	..	.	..	....	....	..	6	14	20
Jackson's Creek	No report. Statistics last year	..	.	....	..	..	....	...	..	..	...	26	76	102
Jersey	G. W. Palmer, Linwood	11	1	....	12	3	1	2	6	6	...	67	88	155
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	5	18	..	23	8	16	4	28	....	5	72	118	190
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Eden	7	....	4	11	1	2	....	3	8	....	51	87	138
Lick Creek	J. A. Kinney, Healing Springs	6	...	1	7	1	...	2	3	4	...	59	70	129
Maple Springs	No report. Statistics last year	....	..	....	..	..	..	....	....	...	....	8	27	35
Marion	No report. Statistics last year	..	....	.	..	....	.	....	....	....	....	.....	....	5
Mt. Lebanon	No report. Statistics last year	...	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	13	27	40
New Friendship	S. A. Hege, Winston-Salem	..	...	...	1	..	.	1	..	...	1	49	66	115
Oak Hill	No report. Statistics last year	....	....	....	..	....	..	....	..	....	....	10	17	27
Orphanage	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	32	4	..	36	10	....	....	10	26	...	78	88	166
Pine M. House	R. K. Williams. Swift	22	2	3	27	8	1	4	13	14	....	80	131	211
Piney Grove	P. E. Whicker, Winston-Salem, R. F. D.	9	4	....	13	1	...	2	3	10	..	34	46	80
Pleasant Fork	No report Statistics last year	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	....	....	8	10	18
Reed's Cross Roads	D. C. Craver, Reed's.	4	..	....	4	1	3	..	4	..		64	92	156
Rich Fork	T H. Small, Thomasville	4	....	2	6	4	....	3	7	..	1	34	67	101
Stoner's Grove	O L. Stoner, Fairmont	3	....	....	...	3	..	..	...	....	....	20	25	45
Summerville	Mary Rogers, Healing Springs	..	..	....	..	..	...	1	....	....	1	7	26	33
Taylor's Grove	C. L. Bailey, Chandler's	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	..	..	..	9	14	23
Thomasville	A J. Olive, Thomasville	3	11	1	15	2	....	...	2	13	....	13	27	40
		132	43	12	183	50	31	26	100	88	10	896	1431	2335

Financial Table for the Year Ending August, 1903.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND P. O.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidentals.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers Relief Fund.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek	I. M. Hilliard, High Point	100 00	45 00	12 00	5 00	10 00	18 00	30 13	5 00	4 50	.....	1 50	231 38
Asheboro	J. D. Newton, Thomasville	60 00	2 31	.....	3 27	4 13	1 27	....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	120 98
Center Cross	Lee W. Harris, El Dorado	20 00	.....	50	50	50	50	.....	50	50	...	25	23 25
Denton	J. M. Bennett, Churchland	75 00	18 00	5 00	3 50	5 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	12 00	.....	137 50
Gravel Hill	Jeff Lanning, Denton	.....	.....	1 00	50	1 00	1 20	....	50	1 00	.....	52	5 62
Holloway's	John R Miller, Thomasville	100 00	.....	20 55	5 26	19 67	20 00	11 38	5 00	5 22	15 00	1 85	203 93
Huldah	Lee W. Harris, El Dorado	15 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 76	.....	.....	1 00	15 00	21	37 47
Jackson's Creek	No report	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	John R. Miller, Thomasville	150 00	5 00	21 92	6 78	18 30	22 72	72 01	8 00	4 00	15 00	2 22	323 73
Lexington	W. A. Smith, Lexington	550 00	137 39	25 00	15 15	43 36	35 00	107 50	15 00	5 00	27 25	2 50	960 65
Liberty	J. A. Summey, Hannersville	75 00	.....	4 00	5 00	11 00	10 00	.....	3 00	1 50	16 00	1 35	125 50
Lick Creek	J. M. Bennett, Churchland	75 00	15 00	5 35	3 20	5 63	6 18	3 65	1 60	1 00	15 00	1 05	132 66
Maple Springs	No report	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	No report	.... ..	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
Mt Lebanon	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	....	....	....	.....	35	35
New Friendship	F. H. Jones, Reidsville	125 00	.....	15 00	6 00	10 00	123 00	1 25	5 00	2 00	.....	1 50	288 75
Oak Hill	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	G. P Harrill, Thomasville	109 09	.....	50 00	31 49	41 10	88 10	150 89	17 52	5 00	6 97	2 00	500 16
Pine M. House	Jeff Lanning, Denton	125 00	31 00	11 00	6 00	6 00	10 00	9 00	5 00	2 00	12 00	1 62	217 00
Piney Grove	Henry Sheets, Lexington	100 00	15 00	30 00	17 50	35 00	20 00	81 10	6 00	5 00	16 00	1 75	325 60
Pleasant Fork	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reed's Cross Roads	John R. Miller, Thomasville	100 00	13 00	12 70	5 00	18 00	19 70	20 81	3 00	3 00	8 50	1 35	203 71
Rich Fork	John R. Miller, Thomasville	80 00	50 00	10 55	6 33	10 86	6 00	5 00	2 99	2 52	2 00	1 00	176 25
Stoner's Grove	Jeff Lanning, Denton	60 00	17 55	3 50	2 50	3 50	3 22	5 00	1 50	1 72	.....	1 02	99 51
Summerville	L. G. Lewis, Riley's Store	.. ..	10 00	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00
Taylor's Grove	Jeff Lanning, Denton	65 00	....	2 00	50	2 05	1 50	1 00	.....	.....	52 00	50	124 05
Thomasville	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville	75 00	5 37	4 50	1 20	2 81	5 19	.....	2 00	1 00	99 03	75	196 85

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PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT SESSION;

The next session of Liberty Association will convene with the church at New Friendship, Forsythe county, four miles south of Winston-Salem, on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August 1905, Elder John R. Miller to preach the introductory sermon; Elder John A. Summey, alternate.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1904.

Adderton, W. S..... Denton, N. C.
Boone, J. B ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Harrill, George P..... Thomasville, N. C
Lanning, Jeff ..... Denton, N. C.
Leach, M. J..... Lassiter, N. C.
Miller, John R..... Thomasville, N. C.
Morton, H..... Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D..... Thomasville, N. C.
Sheets, Henry..... Lexington, N. C.
Smith, W. A..... Lexington, N. C.
Stoker, Ambrose P..... Denton, N C.
Summey, John A..... Hannersville, N. C

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

R. S. Green, Jr., James Smith, William Bowers,
W. C. Roach, C. M. Wall.

PROCEEDINGS.

PINE MEETING HOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH,
August 23, 1904.

Liberty Baptist Association met to-day with this church in its seventy-first annual session. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Geo. P. Harrill from Hebrews iv:6.

INTERMISSION FOR DINNER.

At 2 o'clock P. M. the Moderator called the body to order and Elder J. S. Farmer read the Scriptures and led in prayer.

The Moderator appointed Elders J. D. Newton and W. A. Smith as Reading Clerks.

The letters were handed in and names of Messengers enrolled as follows:

Abbott's Creek—N. R. Teague.
Asheboro—Not represented.
Center Cross—By letter.
Denton—W. B. Thompson.
Gravel Hill—W. D. Loflin and E. M. Russell.
Holloway's—J. F. Carrick, B. R. Cross and J. A. Carrick.
Huldah—Not represented.
Jackson's Creek—Not represented.
Jersey—W. F. Miller, W. C. Roach and Geo. W. Palmer.
Lexington—Oscar Sink and G. F. Hankins.
Liberty—J. M. Easter and L. E. Hepler.
Lick Creek—P. M. Snider, Clay Rush and John W. Cole.
Maple Springs—Not reported.
Marion—By letter.
Mt. Lebanon—M. J. Leach.
New Friendship—A. P. Snider.
Oak Hill—By letter.
Orphanage—George P. Harrill, Archibald Johnson and S. H. Averitt.
Pine Meeting House—S. E. Simeson, W. H. Barnes and R. H. Lomax.
Piney Grove—George W. Wall, J. Ezra Motsinger and E. L. Green.
Reed's Cross Roads—E. E. Jenkins, C. A. Snider and J. L. Myers.
Rich Fork—R. S. Green, Jr., and William Bowers.
Stoner's Grove—B. F. Roach and L. C. Lomax.

Summerville—Not represented.
Taylor's Grove—John Rodgers.
Thomasville—W. G. Fitzgerald.

After enrollment of Messengers, the body proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted in the re-election of the present officers, viz.: Moderator, James Smith; Clerk, Henry Sheets; Treasurer, S. H. Averitt.

Invitations to Visiting Brethren.

The following brethren reported and were welcomed to seats in the body: Elder Hight C. Moore, Sunday School Secretary of the Baptist State Convention; Elder J. S. Farmer, of the *Biblical Recorder;* Elder S F. Conrad, of the *North Carolina Baptist;* Elder W. H. Rich, pastor of First Baptist church, Salisbury. Prof. E. L. Green, Principal of Liberty Association High School, was recognized.

The following named brethren were appointed on Order of Business: W. A. Smith, John R. Miller and R. S. Green, Jr.

The following report was handed in:

Order of Business—Wednesday.

Religious exercises, 9:30 to 10.
State Missions, 10 to 11.
Sunday Schools, 11 to 11:30.
Foreign Missions, 11:30 to 12:30.
Orphanage, 2:30 to 3:15.
Temperance, 3:15 to 4:00.

Thursday Morning.

Devotional exercises, 9:30 to 10:10.
Ministers' Relief, 10:00 to 10:45.
Home Missions, 10:45 to 11:30.
Obituaries, 11:30 to 12:00.
Miscellaneous, 12:00.

The report was adopted.

The following brethren were appointed as a Committee on Finance, viz.: G. W. Wall and John W. Cole.

Elder Henry Sheets read the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The importance of reading good literature can hardly be estimated. Our people become well informed and efficient in the Lord's work in proportion as they read wisely. As Baptists, claiming what we do, we can afford least of all people, to not be informed. The Bible and Baptist periodicals are our main source of information. To North Carolina Baptists, the *Biblical*

Recorder, being the acknowledged organ of the denomination, appeals most strongly to each and every Baptist home in the State. It has always been true to Bible doctrine and has stood in the forefront of every aggressive movement for the right of our people and the upbuilding of our denominational interests.

The *North Carolina Baptist*, known to all our people, is a live, wide-awake paper. It too, stands for all our denominational interests. For ten years or more, it has been a recognized force in North Carolina, standing for the abolition of the liquor traffic everywhere. Its coming will prove a blessing to any home.

Charity and Children fills its own place. No other paper could do its work. To read it carefully is to keep well posted as to every phase of our Orphanage work. Our children need it. We all need it. Be wise, subscribe for it, then read it

The *Foreign Mission Journal*, published at Richmond, will keep our people well informed as to our foreign mission work. Take it.

Our Home Field, the organ of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga. This tells all about our home mission work. Nearly ever Baptist could take and read all these. Know your duty and do it.

HENRY SHEETS,
C. M. WALL.

This report was discussed by Brethren J. S. Farmer, for the *Biblical Recorder;* S. F. Conrad, for the *North Carolina Baptist*, and G. P. Harrill spoke on the importance of reading religious literature, in a general way.

The report was then adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9:30.

Benediction by Elder Hight C. Moore.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 24TH.

Religious exercises were conducted by Elder Hight C. Moore.

At 10:00 o'clock the Moderator called the body to order. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

After some routine work, Elder W. A. Smith read the following

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We note with gratitude to God the steady and substantial progress of our State Mission work. We now have 103 missionaries working in thirty-five of the fifty-nine Associations in the State. Two thousand, two hundred and fifty-eight members were received into our mission churches last year; one thousand, two hundred and seventeen of whom were received by baptism. $6,809.68 more was raised on mission fields last year for the support of the objects of the Convention than in the preceding year.

We heartily endorse the State Mission Board and its work, and recommend to our churches that they give to same their liberal support.

We desire especially to express our satisfaction at the management of the Sunday School department of the Board's work. We believe the hand of God was in the selection of the scholarly and consecrated Hight C. Moore to prosecute this important work. We are also pleased to observe that, from present prospects, this part of the work will be self sustaining.

$26,302.80 was the amount contributed to State Missions last year. There was raised on mission fields, for all objects, last year $34,769. Our

Association receives more money from the State Mission Board than it puts into its treasury. This ought to incite us to go forward in State Missions that we may have a part in this work beyond our own bounds.

Respectfully submitted, W. A. Smith,
W. C. Barnes

After the reading of the above report, Elder Hight C. Moore read the

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School is the church engaged in studying and teaching the Scriptures. It is a popular and powerful agency for the dissemination of truth, the winning of souls, and the training of christians; in short, it is set for the betterment of humanity and the glory of God. Operating under the authority of Scripture and at a strategic point in the life and activity of the churches it is entitled to the endorsement, the sympathy, and the hearty co-operation of all servants of God everywhere.

In North Carolina the Baptists have a few more than 1,300 Sunday Schools, with about 9,000 officers and teachers and a total enrolment of 96,000. A fine army, and yet we have 1,792 churches with a membership of more than 182,000. So we need more and larger Sunday Schools; and certainly the present Sunday School condition needs improvement in material equipment, teacher-training, general efficiency and accomplishment. To this task we as a denomination have set our hands afresh and there are indications of a revival of interest in the teaching work of our churches. In our own Association there are evidences of Sunday School progress, the figures in the church letters being more encouraging than those of last year.

As a further incentive to renewed endeavor in this work during the coming year we beg to recommend:

1. That our fifth Sunday meeting in the Spring be devoted to a consideration of Sunday School topics.

2. That a committee of three be appointed who shall stimulate Sunday School work in the Association in every way possible, especially by organizing schools, extending the terms of schools not evergreen, arranging for rallies and institutes, seeing that every school is reported to the Association; this committee to present a report of its work at our next session.

3. That we endorse the forward Sunday School movement inaugurated by our State Convention and that we urge all our Sunday Schools to make at least one offering during the year for our Baptist Sunday School work in North Carolina.

Hight C. Moore,
P. M. Snider.

These excellent reports were spoken to by W. A. Smith, Hight C. Moore, W. H. Rich and S. F. Conrad.

After interesting speeches on the above reports had been made, the reports were heartily adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

Benediction by Hight C. Moore.

Afternoon Session, August 24th.

The Association re-assembled. Led in prayer by W. A. Smith.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren as a committee, as recommended in the Sunday school report

above, to look after the Sunday school work in the Liberty Association, viz.: Archibald Johnson, W. A. Smith and G. P. Harrill.

Elder G. P. Harrill read the following

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In 1845, when the Southern Baptist Convention was organized at Augusta, Ga., there was appointed a committee, known as the Foreign Mission Board, to advise, direct, and collect funds for carrying on the work of missions in foreign countries. This committee, elected by the messengers we send to the Southern Baptist Convention, consists at present of twenty one members, with headquarters at Richmond, Virginia.

We are now carrying on mission work in seven foreign countries. The work was begun in China during the first year of the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention by the appointment of J. L. Shuck as missionary. Five years later, in 1850, the work was begun in Africa by T. J. Bowen. This was the first work done by appointment of the Board in Africa, but the First Baptist Church of Richmond, Va., had sent two colored missionaries there as early as 1820. J. Q. Rohrer and wife were appointed missionaries to Japan in 1860, and began the work that moved so slowly for a while, but is now, even during the fierce struggle between Japan and Russia, prospering gloriously. Italy was the first Roman Catholic country to which we have sent missionaries. The work was begun there in 1870 by the appointment of W. N. Cote, who was both preacher and doctor. The next Roman Catholic country to be entered by our missionaries was Mexico. This was done by sending J. O. Westrup, William Flo .rney and W. D. Powell in 1880. There had been an attempt to begin work in Brazil before 1882, but it was in this year that the work was permanently begun by W. B. Bagby. Last September, 1903, work was begun in the Argentine Republic by S. M. Sowell. Persia as a mission field has been in the minds of some brethren for quite a number of years, but so far the members of the Board do not think it wise to begin the work there.

The past year has been a very successful one, so far as we can judge, in Foreign Mission work, there being over two thousand baptized by our missionaries—280 more than were baptized the previous year.

Since the Southern Baptist Convention, assembled in Nashville last May, voted to try to increase the contributions to Foreign Missions twenty-five per cent. your cominittee recommend that we try to raise the contributions of the Liberty Association to a corresponding increase,

Respectfully submitted, G. P. Harrill.

The report was spoken to by G. P. Harrill and W. H. Rich.

The following resolution, supplementary to the above report, was read by Bro. Archibald Johnson:

Resolved, That the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Liberty Association have been greatly helpful in increasing our contributions and in strengthening the mission spirit. We urge our sisters in the churches without a Woman's Missionary Society to organize as soon as possible, pledging the moral support of the Association to every such organization.

As further supplementary, J. D. Newton offered the following:

Resolved, That we, the Messengers of the Liberty Association, will contribute of our means for the building of the Yates Memorial College in

China, and that we will urge upon our brethren and sisters of our churches to do likewise.

The report was then adopted.

The Moderator was at this time informed of the presence of Elder N. S. Jones, representing the College for Women at Raleigh, and Bro. James A. Reid, of the South Yadkin Association, who were recognized and invited to seats with us.

Brother R. S. Green, Jr., read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The work of the Baptist people is largely a work of education. Our cause is mainly dependent on the mental, moral and spiritual training of our people, and especially is this so of the ministry. Public schools are and of necessity must continue to be the base of our education. Hence we advocate a liberal support and patronage of the same. A better equipped body of teachers is demanded. We heartily favor the work of all our schools for higher education. We feel proud of our schools in this Association, especially so of our school at Wallburg. With her past success to encourage us, we feel sure with a new music teacher and dormitory this school will press onward to much usefulness. We should not be satisfied short of the very best equipped ministry; hence every opportunity should be given our young men to prepare themselves for their work. This should be given freely for the cause's sake and for the upbuilding of our Master's kingdom on earth. Let our aim and purpose be to give our children the very best opportunity to prepare themselves for life's work. God grant that the Baptists may ever be in the forefront in education here in North Carolina.

R. S. Green, Jr.,
R. K. Williams.

This able and interesting report was discussed by N. S. Jones, R. S. Green, Jr., Prof. E. L. Green, J. M. Bennett and W. A. Smith, after which pledges were taken and the report adopted.

Elder S. F. Conrad read for the committee the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Twenty-three years ago the question of Prohibition was submitted to and voted upon by the whole State. Only one county at that time gave a majority for the measure. Since that time there has been a very great growth in temperance sentiment, and a large number of the largest counties have abolished the licensed sale of liquor. Among these we mention the great counties of Cleveland, Cabarrus, Gaston, Union, Robeson, Rutherford, Sampson, Cumberland, Pender, Onslow, Duplin, Harnett, Scotland, Columbus and Chatham. Under the recent laws of the State more than two-thirds of the entire State have become Prohibition counties. Many of the largest towns, by a vote of the people, have voted out the saloons. We mention among these Charlotte, Greensboro, Durham, Goldsboro, Newbern, Wadesboro and Statesville, while Raleigh, Wilson, Greenville and Kinston have adopted dispensaries as the lesser evil.

We are glad to note that this great reformation is due to the attitude of the Christian people and the growth of the temperance sentiment in the State. The evils of the liquor traffic are becoming better understood, and its demoralizing and destructive work has become so manifest that the people are seeing and feeling the necessity of outlawing the business as

fraught with such general harm to the public as to be entirely suppressed. Nineteen gallons of intoxicants are consumed annually for every man, woman and child in the nation. Eighty thousand of our citizenship are destroyed annually by the business, and one out of every five of the young men of our land are drafted in every year to fill up the depleted army of dram-drinkers and drunkards. Seventy-five per cent. of the orphans in our asylums are there from liquor. Seventy-five per cent. of the convicts in our penitentiaries are there from liquor, and from 85 to 90 per cent. of all the crime before the criminal courts is from liquor. We believe it would be wise to abolish it from the whole State, and we therefore recommend to our people to use their endeavors to have such a constitutional amendment submitted to the people of the State. We also urge our people to withhold their suffrages from men who are the avowed advocates of the liquor traffic.

JOHN A. SUMMEY.
JOHN A. CARRICK.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, Bro. Conrad only spoke in support of this able and important report. It was then adopted.

The committee to name the Executive Board reported the following named brethren: R. S. Green, Jr., James Smith, William Bowers, W. C. Roach and C. M. Wall.

The Committee on Place and Preacher for next session recommended New Friendship as the place and Elder John R. Miller as the preacher; alternate, Elder John A. Summey.

The following resolution was introduced by Elder J. D. Newton:

Resolved, That we, the Messengers of the Liberty Association, will contribute of our means for the building of the Yates Memorial College in China, and that we will urge upon our brethren and sisters of our churches to do likewise.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 25TH.

Religious exercises were conducted by W. A. Smith.

The Moderator appointed the following named brethren as a committee to name the Trustees of Liberty Association High School, located at Wallburg, viz.: J. A. Summey, G. P. Harrill and Henry Sheets.

The committees named below are to write reports on the subjects to which their names are attached for next year:

On State Missions—G. P. Harrill and P. M. Snider.
On Home Missions—John R. Miller and R. S. Green, Jr.
On Foreign Missions—W. A. Smith and George W. Wall.
On Periodicals—John A. Summey and S. A. Hege.
On Education—E. L. Green and William Bowers.
On Orphanage—S. H. Averitt and A. R. Craver.

On Sunday Schools—W. C. Barnes and G. W. Palmer.
On Ministers' Relief—Jeff. Lanning and John A. Carrick.
On Temperance—J. D. Newton and Oscar Bowers.
On Obituaries—J. M. Bennett and J. L. Myers.

The committee appointed to recommend names of Trustees for our High School, on behalf of the Association recommended the following named brethren: W. A. Smith, R. S. Green, Jr., Archibald Johnson and P. M. Snider.

N. R. Teague read the

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

While all the objects of our Convention are of great importance, there is none more worthy than that of caring for the old and worn-out ministers, who have labored at a very small salary, making it impossible to lay up for old age. While some may receive help who are not worthy, yet for the sake of the faithful, or rather for the sake of Him who has said that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel.—I Cor. ix:14. So, then, shall not our churches contribute liberally for this object?

N. R. Teague.

The report was discussed by N. R. Teague, W. A. Smith, G. P. Harrill and John A. Summey.

Pledges were then taken for the support of this board, after which it was adopted.

John R. Miller read the

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

OUR AUTHORITY FOR ORPHANAGE WORK.

The day has passed in North Carolina when it is necessary for us to discuss the authority we have in the Scriptures for orphanage work. Although denominational orphanages are of recent origin, yet the principles upon which they are founded—that of ministering to the needs of the fatherless—are as old as the teachings of Jesus. And we are forced to conclude that Christians in all ages of the world, as individuals, in a greater or less degree, have tried to live up to the teachings of our Lord in visiting the fatherless and widows in their afflictions.

ORGANIZATION.

But not until late in the nineteenth century did we get hold of the idea of co operation by which we might more effectually carry out and obey the teachings of our Master. The modern orphanage, then, is an institution through which Christian people put their hearts and hands together, that by combined effort they may have greater strength to do this part of the Lord's work.

GROWTH.

The growth of orphanage work has been wonderful: perhaps no other department of Christian effort has made greater advancement during the last two decades. The growth of our own institution, the orphanage at Thomasville, should be a joy and inspiration to us all. Now with eight dormitory buildings, which accommodate about three hundred children, another under course of construction, and perhaps another new building to be added and one of the old ones to be remodeled and enlarged, is the prospect for the coming year. Besides this, almost enough money has been given to build a common dining hall and a library. We can not but

recognize that God is moving His people to provide homes for the homeless.

GREATER GIFTS NEEDED.

Now, the burden to feed and clothe these children rests upon the Baptists of North Carolina. There must be increased gifts in proportion to the increased needs of our orphanage. Possibly before we meet again in this Association there will be four hundred children in our orphanage at Thomasville. Brethren! they are our children; God has given them into our care; they are to us as representatives of Jesus Christ, to whom we can give food, clothing and care, and have the blessed assurance that in so doing we are ministering unto Him. (Matt. xxv:40).

PRAYER.

We should also pray for our orphanage; just as we pray for ourselves and our own children we should pray for these children and those who care for them. When we give to State, Home and Foreign Missions we need to accompany our gifts with our prayers that God's blessings may rest upon them. Then let us not forget to remember the Orphanage in our prayers, that God will bless both the givers and the given, and that His name may be glorified in all our efforts for the advancement of His kingdom. JOHN R MILLER.

John R. Miller and Archibald Johnson spoke ably to this fine report. Then the largest pledge ever made by the Association to this work was then made. It is hoped that the Liberty Association will continue to go forward in behalf of this great work.

The following report was read by Bro. Archibald Johnson for Pastor Lanning, who was detained at home on account of sickness in his family:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our object in Home Missions is to give the Gospel to destitute sections of the Southern States that can not be reached by State Foreign Missions. Our own State has been receiving help from the Home Board for many years. We deem no object more important and more worthy of our support than Home Missions. The truth, as we hold it, has been established in many of our Southern cities, and many strong churches have been built as a result of the work of this Board that are doing much to spread the kingdom of God all over the world. We may look more especially to the Home Board than to any other for the maintenance and propagation of the true doctrines of the Gospel. This Board lays strong claims upon us, and there is every reason why we should increase our contribution and give it our hearty support.

Within the bounds of the Home field there are over 12,000,000 unconverted souls, and this number will grow larger every year because of immigration into this section of our country. The field is large, the work is abundant and exceedingly important. We therefore recommend enlargement in our pledges to Home Missions. JEFF. LANNING.

After speeches by Archibald Johnson and John R. Miller, pledges were taken for next year's work and the report was adopted.

Pastor George P. Harrill suggested that the body now offer prayer for Bro. Lanning and family on account of

sickness which kept him away. Pastor John R. Miller led in prayer.

As no written report on obituaries was submitted, pastors and others reported the following who had died since our last session, viz.: C. C. Carrick, George W. Miller, Sr., Elder N. B. Orrell and James N. Conrad.

The committee to solicit funds for the publication of the History of Liberty Association and to arrange for its publication, consisting of George P. Harrill, John R. Miller and C. M. Wall, was continued from last year; and it is expected that the book will be ready for delivery before the end of the year.

Delegates were appointed:

To the Southern Baptist Convention—Archibald Johnson; alternate, John R. Miller.

To the Baptist State Convention—C. M. Wall, Z. T. Sharpe, John R. Miller, J. B. Boone, Jesse L. Myers and Henry Sheets.

Associational representative of the Board of State Missions—C. M. Wall, with his expenses paid for one trip to Raleigh.

It was reported that probably next year a fireproof building would be begun at our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville.

The resolution which follows was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to report at our next session on the state of the churches.

The following named brethren are appointed, viz.: J. D. Newton, John A. Summey and Henry Sheets.

Bro. Archibald Johnson offered the resolution which follows:

Resolved, That the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Liberty Association have been greatly helpful in increasing our contributions and in strengthening the mission spirit. We urge our sisters in the churches without a Woman's Missionary Society to organize as soon as possible, pledging the moral support of the Association to every such organization.

The earnest desire was expressed that all of our churches have such a society. Those formed are doing a great work.

The following report was read and adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1903 AND 1904.

RECEIPTS.

State Missions—			
From Finance Committee	$ 13 65		
Liberty Union	10 49		
From Churches	89 07		
Total		$113 21	
Foreign Missions—			
From Finance Committee	17 14		
From Liberty Union	8 24		
From Churches	63 50		
Total		88 88	
Home Missions—			
From Finance Committee	10 70		
From Liberty Union	8 24		
From Churches	41 31		
Total		60 25	
Education—			
From Finance Committee	15 10		
From Liberty Union	10 49		
From Churches	46 51		
Total		72 10	
Ministerial Relief—			
From Finance Committee	13 22		
From Liberty Union	3 00		
From Churches	9 24		
Total		25 46	
Minute Fund—			
From Finance Committee	20 69		
From Churches	3 62		
Total		24 31	
Total for all objects		384 21	

DISBURSEMENTS.

State Missions—			
Paid to Watters Durham, Treas.	$106 94		
Paid to Rev. L. Johnson, Sec'y	6 27		
Total			$113 21
Foreign Missions—			
Paid to Watters Durham, Treas.			88 88
Home Missions—			
Paid to Watters Durham, Treas.			60 25
Education—			
Paid to Watters Durham, Treas.	45 10		
Paid to Rev. R. T. Vann	27 00		
Total			72 10
Ministerial Relief—			
Paid to Watters Durham, Treas.			25 46
Minute Fund—			
Paid to Rev. Henry Sheets, Clerk			24 31
Total for all objects			384 21

S. H. AVERITT, Treasurer.

The Clerk was appointed to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes. On motion, he was allowed $10.00 for the service.

The following was offered by George P. Harrill:

We, the delegates and visitors to the Liberty Association, desire to express our gratitude to the Pine Meeting House brethren, sisters and others in the community for their kind hospitality during the session of the Association.

A hearty vote expressed the thanks of all who attended.

Two Woman's Missionary Societies have reported:

Lexington—Miss Roxie Sheets, President, Lexington, N. C., with an enrollment of 33 members. This active, energetic body of women has contributed to various objects during the year just closed the neat sum of $92.60.

Thomasville—Mrs. G. P. Harrill, President, Thomasville, N. C. This young society reports a membership of 30, and though but a few months old, its vigor is indicated in its gifts, amounting to $42.70. Well done.

May these active societies be an inspiration to the women in other churches to go and do likewise.

Thomasville reports a Sunbeam Society, Miss Lettie Green, President, Thomasville, N. C. It has a membership of 53, and has contributed in a few months $6.98.

Lexington has a Sunbeam Society with 30 members, Miss Alma Owen, President, Lexington, N. C. This body of young folks has contributed this year $24.00.

Lexington has just organized a Baptist Young People's Union. Bro. B. F. Ausband is president. This union has enrolled a membership of 37.

Thus closed one of the best sessions of the Liberty Association. While some of our churches did not report, there are evident signs of a spirit to go on to a greater and nobler work. The Holy Spirit was with us during this session.

On motion, adjourned to meet at New Friendship on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August, 1905.

Prayer by Henry Sheets.

HENRY SHEETS, *Clerk.*

JAMES SMITH, *Moderator.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

CHURCHES.	State Miss.	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' R. Fund.	Minute Fund.
Abbott's Creek					$5 00		$2 30
Asheboro							
Center Cross	$0 50	$0 50	$0 50	$1 00	50	$0 50	15
Denton	1 00	3 50		4 91	2 00	3 00	1 22
Gravel Hill							1 00
Holloway's	60			7 80	1 17	70	2 00
Huldah							
Jackson's Creek							
Jersey							3 07
Lexington							3 00
Liberty		5 00	1 00	10 50	3 00	1 50	71
Lick Creek	8 00	4 80	8 00		2 40	1 20	1 31
Maple Springs							
Marion							20
Mt. Lebanon	2 50	1 00	4 00	1 25		1 00	30
New Friendship							1 50
Oak Hill	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00			25
Orphanage							2 00
Pine M. House							2 00
Piney Grove							2 00
Reed's Cross Roads							2 28
Rich Fork							1 00
Stoner's Grove				4 56		1 50	75
Summerville							
Taylor's Grove							50
Thomasville							1 00
Public collection Minute Fund							2 88
Totals	13 60	15 80	14 50	31 02	14 07	9 40	31 42

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE W. WALL,
JOHN W. COLE.

TABLE OF PLEDGES FOR 1904-1905.

CHURCHES.	Orphanage.	State Miss.	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Education.	Ministerial Relief B'd.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek	$18 00	$13 00	$5 00	$11 00	$5 00	$4 00	$56 00
Center Cross	50	50	50	50	1 00	50	3 50
Denton	12 00	6 00	3 50	5 00	2 00	3 50	32 00
Gravel Hill	6 00	2 50	2 00	5 00	1 00	1 50	18 00
Holloway's	20 00	16 00	5 00	12 00	5 00	3 50	61 50
Huldah	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	6 00
Jackson's Creek	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	....	1 00	4 00
Jersey	21 00	20 00	5 50	19 00	8 00	2 50	76 00
Lexington	60 00	45 00	25 00	62 50	15 00	5 00	212 50
Liberty	12 50	5 00	5 00	11 00	3 00	2 00	38 50
Lick Creek	15 00	10 00	6 00	10 00	3 00	1 50	45 50
Maple Spring	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ...
Marion	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon	2 50	2 50	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	11 00
New Friendship	30 00	11 00	6 00	10 00	3 00	1 50	61 50
Oak Hill	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	.....	50	7 50
Orphanage	100 00	50 00	30 00	40 00	20 00	5 00	245 00
Pine M. House	20 00	15 00	7 00	7 00	5 00	3 00	57 00
Piney Grove	25 00	35 00	18 00	35 00	6 50	5 00	124 50
Reed's Cross Roads	20 00	10 00	5 00	20 00	3 00	3 00	61 00
Rich Fork	8 00	9 00	3 50	9 00	3 00	2 00	34 50
Stoner's Grove	4 50	4 00	2 75	3 50	1 50	75	17 00
Summersville	.....	.....	.....	... ..	....	.....	.... ..
Taylor's Grove	1 50	3 00	50	1 50	50	1 00	8 00
Thomasville	6 00	6 00	4 00	6 00	1 00	1 00	24 00
Totals	387 50	266 50	138 25	274 00	88 50	49 75	1204 50

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND P. O.	SECRETARIES AND P. O.	Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars.	Total.	No. Schools.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quart'rlies and Papers Taken.	Mos. kept op'n.	Average Attendance.	Bap from sch'l.	School Expenses.
Abbott's Creek	N.R.Teague, Kernersville, R.F.D. 1.	W.D. Spurgeon, High Point, R.F.D. 1.	6	60	66	1	....	75	12	30	..	$18 00
Asheboro	Not reported		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....
Center Cross	John Cole, Seagrove	Mary J. Freeman, Seagrove	3	16	19	1	....	18	3	12	..	1 44
Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton		7	117	124	1	80	....	..	....	..	20 15
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loflin, Riley's Store	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	3	25	28	1	....	40	12	20	2	4 00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill	7	50	57	1	75	50	12	35	2	5 00
Huldah	Not reported		....	..	...	..	..	..	..	....	..	.....
Jackson's Creek	Not reported		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	Ray Sharp, Linwood	7	92	99	1	....	92	12	....	..	.....
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	James Smith, Lexington	30	....	....	3	...	403	12	249	26	138 32
Liberty	Not reported		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....
Lick Creek	J. A. Kinney, Healing Springs		10	90	100	1	...	100	12	....	..	6 00
Maple Springs	Not reported		....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....	..	.....
Marion	Not reported		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....
Mt. Lebanon	Not reported		..	....	....	..	..	....	....	....	..	.....
New Friendship	Officers not reported		4	47	51	1	....	....	8	....	..	4 00
Oak Hill	M. F. Underwood, Trinity		6	40	46	..	....	40	..	20	..	.....
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	Augustus Wasdon, Thomasville	13	330	343	..	..	330	12	295	16	.....
Pine M. House	J. H. Beck, Jubilee, R. F. D.		12	120	132	2	80	140	..	85	3	11 78
Piney Grove	E. L. Green, Wallburg	R. L. Wall, Wallburg	7	75	82	1	....	100	12	50	..	20 00
Reed's Cross R'ads	D. C. Craver, Lexington, R. F. D.	Miss Josie Fritts, Lexington, R.F.D.	9	82	91	1	50	90	12	50	4	3 90
Rich Fork	Wm. Bowers, Lake		7	60	67	.	....	80	..	35	..	6 00
Stoner's Grove	Chas. Wren, Linwood	B. F. Roach Linwood	6	51	57	1	....	38	12	35	..	2 48
Summerville	Not reported		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....
Taylor's Grove	A. H. Michael, Chandler	H. J. Bailey, Chandler	5	63	68	1	....	47	6	37	..	2 02
Thomasville	H. W. Reinhart, Thomasville	Miss Cora Morton, Thomasville.	6	52	58	1	...	79	12	34	..	14 54
			148	1370	1518	18	285	1722	..	987	53	251 63

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1904.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND P. O.	ADDED.				LOST.								
		Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.	Gain.	Lost.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	5			5			2		3		56	113	169
Asheboro														
Center Cross	John Cole, Seagrove						9		9			2	15	17
Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton		1		1	2	3	2	7		6	47	53	100
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	4	2		6	2			2	4		11	22	33
Holloway's	Berry R. Cross, Silver Hill	3			3	4			4		1	59	114	173
Huldah														
Jackson's Creek														
Jersey	G. W. Palmer, Linwood	6	4		10	2		2	4	6		66	93	159
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	28	7	1	36	6	4	1	11	25		81	136	217
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville, R. F. D	5	1	1	7	3	1	1	5	2		60	101	161
Lick Creek	J. A. Kinney, Healing Springs		1		1	4	6	1	11		10	54	66	120
Maple Springs														
Marion	R. S. Green, Lexington													5
Mt Lebanon	J. D. Welch, Pisgah					3			3		3	11	26	37
New Friendship	S. A. Hege, Winston-Salem	13	1		14		1		1	13		55	73	128
Oak Hill	M. F. Underwood, Trinity											14	9	23
Orphanage	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	16	4		20	13			13	7		82	91	173
Pine Meeting House	R. K. Williams, Jubilee, R. F. D	6	2		8	5	1	2	8			81	125	206
Piney Grove	J. Ezra Mottinger, Wallburg		2		2	7			7		5	33	41	74
Reed's Cross Roads	A. R. Craver, Lexington, R. F. D	4			4	1		2	3	1		62	98	160
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	10			10	2		1	3	7		38	70	108
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood											22	27	49
Summerville														
Taylor's Grove	C. L. Bailey, Chandler					2			2		2	8	13	21
Thomasville	A. J. Olive, Thomasville		19		19	5		2	7	12		19	33	52

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND P. O.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidentals.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief Fund.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek	J. M. Hilliard, High Point...	$100 00	$25 30	$13 00	$5 00	$10 50	$20 26	.....	$5 00	$3 50	$20 75	$2 30	$205 61
Ashboro	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Center Cross	Lee W. Harris, El Dorado...	20 00	.....	50	50	50	1 00	....	50	...	...	15	23 15
Denton	J. M. Bennett. Churchland...	75 00	26 55	6 00	3 50	5 00	7 26	.....	2 00	3 00	...	1 22	129 53
Gravel Hill.....	Henry Sheets, Lexington. ..	50 00	.....	2 56	2 90	6 05	5 00	.....	1 20	1 00	20 00	1 00	89 66
Holloway's	John R Miller, Thomasville..	100 00	....	15 00	.....	16 40	20 00	.....	5 00	3 50	28 00	2 00	190 90
Huldah.....	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jackson's Creek..	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jersey....	John R. Miller, Thomasville .	150 00	15 00	20 00	5 23	18 67	20 00	.....	8 00	2 26	16 00	3 07	258 16
Lexington	W. A Smith, Lexington.....	800 00	124 33	48 25	29 50	64 50	40 00	$30 00	15 00	5 00	760 12	3 00	1919 70
Liberty	J. A. Summey, Hannersville	75 00	...	4 00	5 00	11 00	10 50	.....	3 00	1 50	15 76	71	126 47
Lick Creek.....	J. M. Bennett, Churchland...	75 00	4 00	8 00	4 80	8 00	5 25	.....	2 40	1 20	12 00	1 31	121 96
Maple Springs..	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Marion.....	....	.... ..	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	... ..	20	.....
Mt. Lebanon....	No Pastor	....	10 00	2 25	1 00	4 00	2 25	.....	.....	1 00	.....	30	20 80
New Friendship.	F. H Jones, Reidsville. ...	100 00	4 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	139 62	.....	3 00	2 00	.....	1 50	273 62
Oak Hill	J. D. Newton, Thomasville...	30 00	46 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	76 00
Orphanage.....	Geo. P. Harrill, Thomasville..	112 45	.....	50 00	32 74	54 51	125 79	35 00	4 51	6 24	8 55	2 00	431 79
Pine M. House..	Jeff. Lanning, Denton..	125 00	15 00	14 64	6 27	6 00	15 00	....	5 00	3 00	52 50	2 00	243 91
Piney Grove. ..	Henry Sheets, Lexington....	100 00	15 00	35 00	18 00	30 00	21 88	.....	6 00	5 00	75 00	2 00	307 88
Reed's X Roads.	J. R. Miller. Thomasville.....	100 00	26 17	10 79	5 10	20 50	16 20	2 64	3 00	3 00	... ...	2 28	189 68
Rich Fork.....	J. R. Miller, Thomasville ...	80 00	2 35	9 34	3 44	8 00	8 00	.....	2 75	2 00	.....	1 00	116 88
Stoner's Grove..	Jeff. Lanning, Denton..	60 00	....	4 00	2 73	3 50	4 50	.....	1 50	1 50	.....	75	78 48
Summerville ...	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taylor's Grove.	Jeff. Lanning, Denton.....	85 00	....	3 00	50	1 62	1 60	.....	50	1 00	26 00	50	119 22
Thomasville.....	Geo. P. Harrill, Thomasville	100 00	34 76	36 94	18 35	16 75	8 58	7 77	1 31	2 17	.....	1 00	226 63
		2337 45	348 46	293 27	149 56	295 50	472 69	75 41	69 67	47 87	1034 68	28 54	5153 10

MINUTES

OF THE

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator: James Smith, Lexington, N. C.
Clerk: Henry Sheets, Lexington, N. C.
Treasurer: S. H. Averitt, Thomasville, N. C.

PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON FOR THE SESSION 1906.

The session for next year will be held with the church at Thomasville, N. C., on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August, 1906. Elder W. A. Smith to preach the sermon; Elder F. H. Jones, alternate.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1904.

Adderton, W. S. ..... Denton, N. C.
Boone, J. B. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Harrill, George P. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Lanning, Jeff ..... Denton, N. C.
Leach, M. J. ..... Lassiter, N. C.
Miller, John R. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Morton, H. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
Sheets, Henry ..... Lexington, N. C.
Smith, W. A. ..... Lexington, N. C.
Stoker, Ambrose P. ..... Denton, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

R. S. GREEN, Jr. JAMES SMITH.
WILLIAM BOWERS. W. C. ROACH.
C. M. WALL.

Proceedings.

New Friendship Baptist Church,
August 22, 1905.

Liberty Baptist Association convened with this church today in its seventy-second annual session. The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder John R. Miller, from John 21.22.

Intermission for Dinner.

On reassembling the Moderator called the body to order. Elder H. A. Brown, D. D., read the Scripture and led in prayer.

Elder John R. Miller and Archibald Johnson were appointed as reading clerks.

The roll of churches was then called and names of messengers enrolled as follows:

Abbott's Creek—N. R. Teague and C. H. Teague.
Asheboro—Not represented.
Center Cross—Not represented.
Denton—Arthur Lanning and W. B. Thompson.
Gravel Hill—William D. Loftin and B. I. Sheets.
Holloway's—J. S. Fine and Berry R. Cross.
Huldah—Not represented.
Jackson's Creek—By letter.
Jersey—Z. T. Sharp, Roba Snider and Ira Sharp.
Lexington—E. M. Ward and W. W. Yarborough.
Liberty—H. P. May and J. M. Easter.
Lick Creek—P. M. Snider and W. A. Stoker.
Maple Springs—Not reported.
Mount Lebanon—M. J. Leach.
New Friendship—H. F. Motsinger, Geleva Hartman and Branson F. Charles.
Oak Hill—Not represented.
Orphanage—S. H. Averitt.
Pine Meeting House—O. T. Davis.
Piney Grove—C. M. Wall and J. Ezra Motsinger.
Reed's X Roads—D. C. Craver, J. N. Myers and Benjamin Myers.
Rich Fork—Mills Newton and Thomas H. Small.
Stoner's Grove—J. H. Wafford, D. D. Davis and Everett Wafford.
Summerville—By letter.
Taylor's Grove—Not represented.
Thomasville—Archibald Johnson and John R. Miller.

Visiting brethren were then invited to seats. Elder Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of Baptist State

Convention; Elder J. S. Farmer, representing the *Biblical Recorder;* Elder S. F. Conrad, in the interest of the *North Carolina Baptist;* Elder H. A. Brown, of the Pilot Mountain; Elder S. B. Wilson, of the Beulah, and MacCauley Costner, of the Raleigh Association, accepted seats in the body. Mr. Benjamin W. Parham, principal-elect of Liberty Associational High School, was introduced and responded with a few appropriate remarks.

The association then proceeded to election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted in re-election of James Smith, Moderator; Henry Sheets, Clerk, and S. H. Averitt, Treasurer.

The Moderator appointed George P. Harrill, W. A. Smith and D. C. Craver as a Committee on Order of Business.

Elder G. P. Harrill read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Children in our homes and in our schools are taught to have a definite aim in life, and some definite end to accomplish in every undertaking. Sometime we who have been diligent in teaching these lessons forget them ourselves when we undertake. So, in order to practice what we teach, let us ask: What end is to be accomplished in a report on State Missions to an association? We answer, in short, to help forward the work of State Missions in the association. Now, let us notice a few things that may stimulate us in the work:

We, as Baptists, should never be satisfied until every home in North Carolina is in reasonable reach of a Baptist Church, and regular preaching at the church at least once every month. We cannot make men believe the Gospel, but we can give them the opportunity; and until this opportunity has been provided for every community in the State our full duty to the work of State Missions has not been done.

Last year there were 124 missionaries employed by the board for all or a part of their time; and by these missionaries more than 1,000 persons were baptized, making an average of 10 baptisms for each missionary at work. When we remember that the missionaries are at work in fields that are largely anti-Baptist, and that the average number of baptisms by these workers is almost equal to the average number of baptisms by the pastors who are at work in fields where conditions are not so difficult, we feel encouraged to press the question of State Missions. Taking into consideration the fact that some state mission work is already being done in the Liberty Association, we could find fields for 200 state missionaries next year in North Carolina, and then the average opportunities for hearing the Gospel would not be equal to that in our own Association.

Last year there were 29 new churches organized within the

State, and 16 of these were organized by State missionaries. The state misionary receives a little less than $145 a year from the State Mission Board. Would it not be a good investment for the Liberty Association to put $145 more into State Missions and receive in return 10 baptized annually, and one new church organized every 18 months?

Let us ever remember this, that as fast as we organize new churches and then cultivate them till they become self-supporting we add to the strength we already have for the furthering of the Gospel in other destitute fields. GEORGE P. HARRILL.

This able, interesting report was spoken to by Secretary Livingston Johnson, using his large missionary map of North Carolina, showing the destitution in the State. After pledges had been taken, the report was adopted.

W. A. Smith, C. M. Wall and P. M. Snider were appointed a committee on Place and Preacher. This committee after retirement, made only a partial report, recommending Thomasville as the place. This was amended by recommending W. A. Smith as the preacher and F. H. Jones as alternate. The report as amended, was adopted.

The pastor and delegates of this church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

The committee appointed on order of business, made only a partial report, as follows:

FOR THURSDAY FORENOON.

Religious exercises to commence at 9:30, spending half an hour.
Sunday Schools—10 to 10:45.
Foreign Missions—10:45 to 11:45.
Periodicals—11:45 to 12:15.
Intermission—12:15 to 1:30.

The Association feeling a deep interest in all the churches, and five of them not reporting regularly, viz.: Asheboro, Huldah, Maple Springs, Oak Hill and Marion, therefore a committee of five, consisting of John R. Miller, M. J. Leach, Jeff Lanning, W. A. Smith and Archibald Johnson, was appointed to look after these churches and report their condition, with recommendation, at our next session.

It was appointed that Elder S. F. Conrad preach in this house to-night.

Adjourned. Benediction by Elder J. D. Newton.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

AUGUST 23RD.

Promptly on time (9:30) Elder G. P. Harrill conducted religious exercises.

At 10 o'clock the Moderator called the body to order.

Appointed the following brethren as a committee on Finance: B. I. Sheets and B. R. Cross.

On motion of Archibald Johnson the committee on Order of Business was instructed to provide a place on the programme for Woman's Work. Adopted.

Bro. W. C. Barnes read the following:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Recognizing the importance of the Sunday School work as a factor in the development of the churches, we believe that we need to work more to develop the young church members and work for a more thorough organization of our schools. W. C. BARNES.

Addresses on the above report were made by W. C. Barnes, Archibald Johnson and F. H. Jones. The report was then adopted.

At this juncture, the Moderator gave an opportunity to visitors to report: Prof. F. P. Hobgood, of Oxford Seminary for Girls, and Elder J. F. Lancaster, of Pilot Mountain Association reported, and were invited to seats in the body.

Pastor W. A. Smith read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The last conventional year was the most successful one in the history of modern missions, from every point of view. God has most signally crowned the efforts of his people and has smiled upon every advance movement along the line of missions.

It would be interesting to record the progress of missionary effort by the various religious bodies, but we must confine ourselves in this brief report to this work as carried on by our own Southern Baptist Convention.

We now have missions in China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Argentine. By contrasting a few statistics for the past ten years we can easily see somewhat of the success that has attended our efforts. In 1895 we had 91 missionaries; we now have 181. In 1895 we had 85 churches; we now have 194. In 1895 there were 1,503 in Sunday School; now we have 5,496. In 1895 we had 581 baptisms; during the past year we had 2,241. In 1895 we gave $135,435.02; last year we gave $283,415.88.

During the past year we have sent out 50 new missionaries, almost twice as many as we ever sent out in any one previous year.

The salary of a missionary ranges from $500 to $600, according to location.

The total expenses for conducting our mission work is less than 10 per cent. This includes salaries of all secretaries, office expenses, etc.

In view of the need of a well trained native ministry, there has been established on the foreign field seven theological training schools, which have had in attendance during the past year over a hundred men. We also have printing houses on the foreign field, which are scattering the Word of God among the people in their native tongue, besides giving them much other helpful Christian literature. We also have ten medical missionaries, who, while treating the bodily ills in our hospitals, have opportunity to introduce their patients to the Great Physician of the soul.

Our Woman's Missionary Union is doing a great work. The report for last year showed $53,678.45 raised. They undertake to raise this year $63,500. May success attend their noble effort.

By a little examination of our minutes for last year you will find that our association gave less than 8 cents per member for Foreign Missions. It seems from such a statement as this that the great commission of our Master, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," had made but little impression upon our people.

Remembering the commission of our Master, and the success which has attended our efforts hitherto, your committee recommends that our churches of this association increase their contributions at least 10 per cent. for this great cause for ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. SMITH, Committee.

Bro. Smith addressed the Association on the above able report, followed by S. F. Conrad. Pledges were then taken, after which the report was adopted.

Bro. S. A. Hege came forward and read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The importance of reading good literature can hardly be estimated. Our people become well informed and efficient in the Lord's work in proportion as they read wisely and prudently. As a denomination claiming what we do we can afford least of all people to not be informed. The Bible and Baptist literature are our main source of information. The Biblical Recorder, being the acknowledged organ of our denomination, appeals most strongly to each and every Baptist home in the State. It is true to Bible doctrine and has stood in the front of every aggressive movement for the right of our people and the uplifting of our denomination.

The North Carolina Baptist, known to all our people, is a live, wideawake paper. It, too, stands for all our denominational interests. For many years it has been outspoken on the temperance question. Its coming into our homes will prove a blessing to our people,

Charity and Children fills its own place. No other paper could do its work. We need it. Take it and read it.

The Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field are organs of our denomination, and should be taken and read by all Baptist. In no other way can they be so well informed as to our mission work.

S. A. HEGE,
JOHN SUMMY,
Committee.

Bro. J. S. Farmer spoke for the *Biblical Recorder*. S. F. Conrad represented the *North Carolina Baptist*. Bro. Archibald Johnson spoke with spirit on the work done by *Charity and Children*.

After an interesting discussion on the report, it was adopted.

The committee on Order of Business submitted the following, completing their report:

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON.

Woman's Mission Work—1:45 to 2:00.
Orphanage—2:00 to 2:45.
Home Missions—2:45 to 3:30.
Education and Associational High School—3:30 to 4:00.

THURSDAY—FORENOON.

Devotional Exercises—9:30 to 10:00.
Ministers' Relief—10:00 to 10:45.
Temperance—10:45 to 11:15.
Obituaries—11:15 to 11:30.
Miscellaneous—11:30 to 12:00.

After the adoption of the above, the Association adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Elder J. F. Lancaster.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

August 23d.

The Asociation was called to order. The chair appointed the following committee, consisting of G. P. Harrill, P. M. Snider and Z. T. Sharp, to name the Executive Board.

There was no written report of Woman's Work, but Bro. Archibald Johnson made a strong speech in favor of the organization of Woman's Missionary Societies in each church in our Association. We hope this suggestion will be heeded.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The year has been a very eventful one at the Orphanage. A typhoid fever scourge raged through some three or four months last fall, and more than 80 of the children were victims of this dreadful disease. By the mercy of the Lord only two died.

A fire last spring destroyed the barn with its contents, consisting of a large lot of feed for the stock. Five mules and a horse perished in the flames.

In the month of July a hail storm destroyed much of the finest crop we have ever had.

Notwithstanding these things the Orphanage is in good condition and will do the largest work of its history during the coming year. The capacity of the institution is being enlarged and the outlook is that we shall have before the year closes between three and four hundred children under its loving care.

We urge our churches to rally to the Orphanage in its hour of real need. A debt hangs over the institution that ought to be paid this year. Let us do our part in this service of love.

S. H. AVERITT.

Speeches were made on the work of our Orphanage and its work, by Bro. S. H. Averitt and F. P. Hobgood.

After pledges had been taken the report was adopted.

The committee appointed to name the Executive Committee submitted the following:

We, the committee to name the Executive Committee of the Association, recommend R. S. Green, Jr., James Smith, William Bowers, W. C. Roach and C. M. Wall.

G. P. HARRILL,
Z. T. SHARP,
P. M. SNIDER.

This report was adopted.

Elder John R. Miller read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission Board made a splendid report at our Convention in Kansas City last May. Notwithstanding there had been some criticism during the year, the Convention heartily supported the Board, and ordered it to enlarge its work for this year.

Your committee considers the Home Mission work as important as any work we have before our Convention. For, unless we take care of our home-land and keep the ranks recruited and the churches developed, we will not be able to conquer the world for Christ.

The Home Board's Field.

The Home Board is doing work in fourteen of our Southern States, two territories, Cuba, the Isle of Pines and Panama. The work done by the Home Board in the different States is chiefly supplementary to the work of State Mission Boards. In several

of our Southern States the Baptists are totally unable to supply the destitution within their borders. Here the Home Board comes to their aid and finds one of its most important and needly fields. In the territories and frontier section of the Great Southwest the work done by the Home Mission Board is our only hope and dependence. In this great and fertile section of our Southland, where cities and towns are being built, as it were, in a day; and into which a great tide of immigration is flowing, our Home missionaries are trying to sow the seed of the Gospel of Christ. What the harvest will be only the future can tell, but, judging by past and present indications, it will be a glorious harvest.

In Cuba the work is moving along very well, and it behooves us as Baptists to give this new Republic the Gospel of Christ, that Cuba, the Pearl of the Antilles, may be given to our Lord and Master.

Panama.

Our Home Board, ever wideawake to the interests of the Master's Kingdom, has placed a missionary, Rev. J. L. Wise, at Panama. He is the first missionary on the field, and in the July number of The Home Field he gives us an account of the field and the work to be done. What are the opportunities and possibilities of this great Canal Zone is yet to be determined, but we know that Panama will soon become a great world center, as it were—the gateway of the nations. Then how needful that we set up the standard of Christ there at the very beginning of this great enterprise.

As we see, therefore, that the demands on the Home Board are increasing, let us increase our contributions accordingly.

JOHN R. MILLER,
ROBERT S. GREEN, Jr.,
Committee.

This report was discussed by John R. Miller, G. P. Harrill and W. A. Smith.

Pledges were made for this object and then the report was adopted.

The following was read:

REPORT ON EDUCATION AND LIBERTY ASSOCIATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The Bible says: "Train up a child in the way it should go." If we wish it to go right we must train it right. And we cannot possibly do this without educating it morally, intellectually and spiritually, and this will not be done without an effort on the part of the parents at home and the teachers at school.

Well, we are glad that our State is doing more for the education of her children now than it did some years ago, which should not be despised by us as parents, but should receive our encouragement.

We are proud of our Associational School at Wallburg, and can recommend it to the patrons of our Association. We are also glad that we have other high schools in our bounds which are doing

good work. May the Lord bless all of these schools and may many of our children be prepared through them sooner or later for college.

And we should not forget our own colleges—Wake Forest, for boys and young men, which has been doing good work for two-thirds of a century; with Murfreesboro, Oxford and the University at Raleigh for girls and young women.

We should not be unmindful of the fact that the Lord is continually calling poor young men to the ministry, who are not able within themselves to educate and prepare for the duties of a minister of the Gospel. May we all lend a helping hand to this God blessed work. WILLIAM BOWERS.

Prof. F. P. Hobgood spoke, commending the teachers of the Liberty Association High School. He was followed by Mr. Benjamin W. Parham in an able address on the responsibility of parents educating their children. Archibald Johnson spoke encouragingly.

On motion of G. P. Harrill, the pastors and delegates were kindly asked to lay the matter of a deficit, due the teachers, before the churches and give any who might wish to do so, an opportunity to aid in the matter, as an Associational School—also stating as a matter of interest to each church, that the Trustees had generously offered a scholarship to one in each church.

The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of John R. Miller and Jeff Lanning to nominate the Associational Trustees of our High School.

Treasurer Averitt submitted his report which is found below:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

State Missions—From Finance Committee and Churches..	$ 79.07
Home Missions—From Finance Committee and Churches..	76.29
Foreign Missions—From Finance Committee and Churches.	122.78
Ministerial Relief—From Finance Committee and Churches.	26.51
Ministerial Education—From Finance Committee and Churches	34.02
Minute Fund—From Finance Committee and Churches....	31.42
Sunday School Missions—From Churches.....	7.40
Total Receipts	$377.49

Disbursements.

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Total Disbursements	$377.49

Respectfully,
S. H. AVERITT, Treasurer.

The following named brethren were appointed to write a report for next session of this association, on the subjects to which their names are attached.

On State Missions—Archibald Johnson, William Bowers.
On Home Missions—Benjamin W. Parham, C. M. Wall.
On Foreign Missions—F. H. Jones, S. A. Hege.
On Periodicals—N. R. Teague, Thomas Carrick.
On Education—W. A. Smith, W. W. Yarborough.
On Orphanage—G. P. Harrill, T. H. Small.
On Sunday Schools—P. M. Snider, J. W. Cole.
On Ministers' Relief—Jeff Lanning, W. T. Tysinger.
On Temperance—S. H. Averitt, J. T. Valentine.
On Obituaries—John R. Miller, A. R. Craver.
On Woman's Work—Archibald Johnson, H. Morton, J. D. Newton.

After some announcements, a motion to adjourn prevailed.
Benediction by J. S. Farmer.

THURSDAY MORNING.

AUGUST 24TH.

Elder H. Morton conducted religious exercises.
The body was called to order.
Elder Lanning read the

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

It is not only a duty that we owe unto the Lord, but a privilege to care for the old, wornout ministers of North Carolina.

We heartily commend this work to all of the churches of the Liberty Association. JEFF. LANNING.

This report was discussed by Elders Jeff Lanning, John R. Miller and G. P. Harrill. As to pledges, the clerk was

instructed to place the amounts pledged last year, to the churches this year.

The report was then adopted.

The committee to nominate the Trustees of the Liberty Associational High School, made the following

REPORT.

We, your committee to nominate Trustees for our Associational School, recommend the following brethren, viz.: W. A. Smith, Z. T. Sharpe, A. Johnson and P. M. Snider.

J. R. MILLER,
JEFF LANNING,
Committee.

The report adopted.

Elder John R. Miller offered the following, for the consideration of the churches till next session of this body:

This is to serve notice that at the next session of this Association a motion will be made to change the time of meeting to Tuesday before the third Sunday in November.

Elder Harrill offered the following, which was adopted:

Moved that the pastors of the Association be requested to take collections in their churches for the aid of indigent young ministers in our Seminary at Louisville.

The body proceeded to elect delegates to Baptist State Convention, which resulted in the selection of the following named brethren: C. M. Wall, John R. Miller and Jeff Lanning.

Elder M. L. Kestler was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention; Elder W. A. Smith was his alternate.

Bro. C. M. Wall made a motion to elect Bro. W. A. Smith as our Associational representative on the State Board, and his expenses be paid out of the State Mission funds.

Bro. J. O. Bowers read the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Since the Convention at Winston, in 1901, when a standing committee on Temperance was appointed and which resulted in the formation of the Anti-Saloon League of the State, the temperance

question has assumed a decidedly definite shape, and much progress has been made, as the following figures will show:

Saloons, December 1, 1901, in the State, 400.
Saloons, December 1, 1904, in the State, 150.
Counties with saloons, December 1, 1901, 40.
Counties with saloons, December 1, 1904, 26.
Distilleries, December 1, 1901, 400.
Distilleries, December 1, 1904, 78.

We believe in total prohibition as the final solution of the whisky question in our State, and urge our people to work for a speedy accomplishment of this aim. The moral forces are more united than ever before and they seem determined to fight this battle until the victory is won.

May we not hope that the day will come when liquor will not be manufactured in our State and when it will be a misdemeanor for a person to get drunk. Drunkenness is a crime, and the pity is that our laws do not embrace it as a criminal offense.

We recognize the great value of our recently enacted laws on temperance, but these were only designed to meet the demands partially of the clamoring multitudes of earnest workers in the temperance cause. Righteousness and peace must eventually reign and spread their pinions over the chasm of human woe and bind up the broken hearts and set at liberty the captives of strong drink.

J. D. NEWTON.
J. O. BOWERS.

The report was discussed by G. P. Harrill. Adopted.

The brethren appointed last year on Obituaries, were not present and as no written report was offered, the names of several aged members of our churches were given and their names are recorded here, viz.:

Mrs. C. G. Strayhorn, Mrs. Julia E. Moore, Branson Beeson, Miss Elizabeth Fulp, Mrs. Matilda Swaim, W. P. Redwine, Mrs. Margaret Redwine, Miss Mariah Redwine, Mrs. M. K. Clinard and Enoch Briggs.

Bro. J. T. Valentine offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered the brethren, sisters and friends of this Church for their kind and generous hospitality. Respectfully submitted.

This resolution of thanks received a hearty vote, for the hospitality was all that could be desired.

On the publication of our Associational History, the following brethren were named as the committee: W. A. Smith, Geo. P. Harrill, John R. Miller and C. M. Wall.

On motion of Elder F. H. Jones, the Clerk was allowed

$10 for his services, writing, superintending the printing and distribution of the minutes.

The work of the Asociation was concluded. Pastor Jones made tender and appreciative remarks in regard to the body having met with this (his) church. Elder W. A. Smith responded in terms of highest appreciation of the efforts put forth to make all comfortable and happy.

Pastor Harrill, of Thomasville church, then extended a hearty invitation to all to come to Thomasville next year.

Thus ended the Seventy-Second Session of the Liberty Association.

JAMES SMITH, Moderator,

HENRY SHEETS, Clerk.

The report of the Finance Committee was borrowed from the committee and never came into the hands of the Clerk. This accounts for its not being in the minutes.

STATEMENT MINUTE FUND.

From last year	$ .93
Received from Finance Committee	27.98
Total in hand	$ 28.91

CLERK.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES AND SUNBEAMS.

There are only two of these societies in the Liberty Association, but they have given a fine ilustration of what earnest, consecrated Christian women can do, when properly organized for this work. May others catch their spirit.

Woman's Missionary Society—Thomasville Church.

Church repairs, etc	$ 59.52
Home Missions	70.51
State Missions	16.10
Foreign Missions	15.10
For expense fund for Central Committee	1.00
Total	$162.23

Number of members, 29.

MRS. G. P. HARRILL, President.

SUNBEAMS.

Contributions—

Foreign Missions	$ 2.65
Home Missions	2.60
Total	$ 5.25

Number of members, 12.

MISS KATE JOHNSON, President.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY—LEXINGTON CHURCH.

Contributions from September, 1904, to August, 1905—

Home Missions	$ 8.00
Foreign Missions	11.25
State Missions	11.80
Christmas Offering	1.55
Yates' Memorial College	.45
Baptist Orphanage	18.00
On hand, not appropriated	47.50
Total collected	$ 98.55

Number of members, 34.

MISS ROXIE SHEETS, President.

Mrs. J. K. HANKINS, Secretary and Treasurer.

SUNBEAMS.

Contributions to the various objects (about), $10.00.

Number of members, 25.

MISS SEARLES OWEN, President.

TABLE OF PLEDGES FOR 1905–1906.

CHURCHES	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Total.
Abbott's Creek	15 00	5 00	12 00	22 50	5 00	4 00	63 50
Asheboro							
Centre Cross							
Denton	6 00	3 50	6 00	14 00	2 00	3 50	35 00
Gravel Hill	5 00	3 00	7 50	8 00	1 50	1 50	26 50
Holloway's	16 00	6 00	15 00	20 00	5 00	3 50	65 50
Huldah							
Jackson's Creek		1 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	1 00	7 50
Jersey	22 00	7 00	20 00	20 00	8 00	2 50	79 50
Lexington	50 00	25 00	75 00	75 00	15 00	5 00	245 00
Liberty	4 00	5 00	12 00	12 50	3 00	2 00	38 50
Lick Creek	7 00	6 00	10 00	15 00	3 00	1 50	42 50
Maple Springs							
Marion							
Mount Lebanon	2 50	1 00	3 00	2 50	1 00	1 00	11 00
New Friendship	11 00	6 00	12 00	35 00	3 00	1 50	68 50
Oak Hill		1 00					1 00
Orphanage	50 00	30 00	40 00	50 00	20 00	5 00	195 00
Pine Meeting House	15 00	7 00	12 00	20 00	5 00	3 00	62 00
Piney Grove	35 00	18 00	35 00	25 00	6 50	5 00	124 50
Reed's Cross Roads	10 00	6 00	20 00	20 00	3 00	3 00	62 00
Rich Fork	9 50	4 00	9 00	8 00	3 00	2 00	35 00
Stoner's Grove	4 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	1 50	75	18 25
Summerville							
Taylor's Grove	3 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	50	1 00	9 50
Thomasville	12 00	10 00	25 00	20 00	2 00	1 00	70 00
Totals	277 00	148 50	320 00	376 50	89 00	47 75	1261 25

SCNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—AUGUST, 1905.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND P. O.	SECRETARIES AND P. O.	Officers and Teachers.	Number Scholars.	Total.	No. Schools.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies & papers taken.	Months kept Open.	Average Attendance.	School Expenses.
Abbott's Creek	N. R. Teague, Kernersville, r.f.d.1	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	7	60	67	1		20	12	40	$ 7 00
Asheboro	No report										
Center Cross	No report.										
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton	Not given			117	1			12	51	12 56
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loftin, Riley's Store	Mrs. Bertha Sheets, Riley's Store	4	33	37			35	12	20	5 00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill.	6	55	61	1	75	55	12	35	6 00
Huldah	No report.										
Jackson's Creek	J. T. Pierce, Cox	Not given	2	30	32			30		30	
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	Ray Sharp, Linwood	8	87	95			120	12	65	
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	Not given	30	535	565	3		600	12	302	116 25
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Thomasville, r.f.d.3	S. H. Kindley, Thomasville	7	45	52	1	100			45	3 48
Lick Creek	W. S. Carrick, Silver Hill, r.f.d. 1	Not given	9	75	84	1	100			35	4 50
Maple Springs	No report										
Marion	No report.										
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welch, Pisgah	Not given	7	50	57	1		50		38	1 40
New Friendship	Branson Charles, Winston-Salem	Not given	5	54	59	1		54		23	5 00
Oak Hill	No report.										
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	Harry Carter, Thomasville	12	335	347	1		335	12	235	
Pine Meeting House	J. H. Beck, Jubilee	Not given	15	108	123	2	100	149	12	80	30 16
Piney Grove	T. S. Wall, Wallburg	R. T. Wall, Wallburg	8	75	83	1		120	12	43	
Reed's Cross Roads	A. E. Myers, Lexington, r.f.d. 3	Benj. Myers, Lexington, r.f.d. 3	7	100	107	1		95	12	53	12 35
Rich Fork	Wm. Bowers, Lake	Oscar Bowers, Lake.	6	64	70	1		60		30	6 00
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Fairmont	Charles Wren, Fairmont	6	53	59	1		37	9	35	3 00
Summerville	No School reported										
Taylor's Grove	No report										
Thomasville	H. W. Reinhart, Thomasville	Miss Cora Morton, Thomasville.	8	122	130	1		449	12	44	
			147	1881	2028	18	375				212 70

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1905.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Added.				Lost.				Gain.	Lost.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
		Baptisms.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.					
Abbott's Creeek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	9	....	....	9	2	...	2	4	5	....	60	116	176
Asheboro	No report	....	....	....	..	....	....	...	.	..	....	2	15	17
Center Cross	No report	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	...	1	....	1	3	2	1	6	....	5	42	48	90
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	2	2	....	4	1	2	....	3	1	....	12	23	35
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	14	...	....	14	2	...	4	6	8	....	62	120	182
Huldah	No report	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Jackson's Creek	J. T. Pierce, Cox	6	1	...	7	....	....	1	1	6	..	26	62	88
Jersey	G. W. Palmer, Linwood	15	4	2	21	5	1	2	8	13	..	75	97	172
Lexington	J. W Noell, Lexington	12	9	1	22	3	12	1	16	6	....	80	143	223
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville, r. f. d. 5	3	2	....	5	8	1	1	10	....	5	58	98	156
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill, r f. d. 1	...	1	....	1	1	2	4	7	..	6	...	....	....
Maple Springs	No report	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Marion	No report	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	5
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welch, Pisgah	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	11	26	37
New Friendship	S. A. Hege, Winston-Salem	....	....	....	....	...	1	2	3	....	3	50	77	127
Oak Hill	No report. From last year	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	14	9	23
Orphanage	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	4	6	....	10	17	....	...	17	....	7	76	90	166
Pine Meeting House	R K. Williams, Jubilee	21	....	1	22	20	2	2	24	....	2	78	137	215
Piney Grove	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	12	2	....	14	....	2	3	5	9	....	37	51	88
Reed's Cross Roads	A. R. Craver, Lexington, r. f. d. 3	8	5	....	13	3	1	....	4	9	....	67	104	171
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	2	2	...	4	9	1	..	10	....	6	34	63	97
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Fairmont	1	2	..	3	2	2	2	6	....	3	24	22	46
Summerville	E. D. Bean, Fairmont	4	....	....	4	1	1	2	4	....	....	9	27	36
Taylor's Grove	No report. From last year	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	8	13	21
Thomasville	J. T. Valentine, Thomasville	4	11	....	15	2	...	4	6	9	...	22	39	61
Totals		117	48	4	169	79	30	31	140	66	37	847	1380	2232

FINANCIAL TABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1905.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFICES.	Pastors Salaries.	Incidentals.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Poor.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers Relief Fund.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek.	Thos. Carrick, High Point.	$150 00	$25 00	$13 00	$ 5 00	$11 00	$21 00	$	$ 5 00	$ 4 00	$.....	$ 2 25	$ 241 00
Asheboro.....	No report.....	.....	... .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Center Cross ...	No report	.....	...	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Denton	Jeff Lanning, Denton.. .	75 00	.....	6 44	3 50	5 08	12 50	.....	2 00	3 50	9 25	1 54	118 81
Gravel Hill.....	Henry Sheets, Lexington...	60 00	...	5 00	3 20	6 75	6 00	.....	1 00	1 50	37 25	1 00	121 70
Holloway's.....	J. R. Miller, Thomasville..	100 00	.....	16 50	5 00	22 85	20 00	2 00	5 00	3 91	13 00	2 00	190 26
Huldah..... ..	No report..	....	.....	... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	.....	.....
Jackson's Creek.	L. G. Lewis, Thomasville..	30 00	.....	.....	1 50	...	4 15	.....	.....	1 00	.....	50	36 65
Jersey..... ..	J. R Miller, Thomasville..	150 00	.....	22 95	6 38	20 71	22 66	....	8 00	2 61	. ..	2 25	233 31
Lexington	W. A. Smith, Lexington ...	900 00	154 22	45 00	25 00	62 50	60 00	113 35	15 00	5 00	230 00	3 00	1873 87
Liberty...	Jeff Lanning, Denton.....	75 00	65	5 00	5 00	11 00	12 50	....	5 00	2 00	.....	80	116 95
Lick Creek.....	Henry Sheets, Lexington..	75 00	.....	5 00	3 00	5 00	15 00	.....	1 50	75	87 25	1 00	193 50
Maple Springs..	No report.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon .	No Pastor.....	.....	....	2 50	1 00	3 00	6 00	.....	1 00	....	6 00	30	19 80
New Friendship	F H. Jones, Reidsville....	100 00	4 72	11 00	6 00	10 00	165 55	.....	3 00	1 50	. ...	2 00	303 77
Oak Hill.....	No report.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage.....	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville	121 23	.....	36 76	39 26	52 94	95 49	....	20 00	5 00	.....	2 00	372 68
Pine M. House..	S. D. Swaim, Cooleemee...	150 00	40	15 00	7 00	23 00	20 00	....	5 00	3 00	85 00	1 00	309 40
Piney Grove...	Henry Sheets, Lexington.	100 00	40 00	35 00	18 00	35 00	25 00	.....	6 50	5 00	.....	2 00	266 50
Reed's X Roads	J. R. Miller, Thomasville..	125 00	35 21	12 00	6 73	21 33	23 37	.....	3 00	4 00	240 26	2 09	472 99
Rich Fork	J. R. Miller, Thomasville..	80 00	..	9 00	5 10	11 00	9 14	.....	3 27	3 62	3 00	1 20	125 33
Stoner's Grove..	Jeff Lanning Denton.....	60 00	76	4 00	3 00	3 50	4 50	.....	1 50	1 50	.....	84	79 60
Summerville ..	Jeff Lanning, Denton	.....	.....	.....	40	63	73	.....	.....	99	.....	.....	2 75
Taylor's Grove..	Not represented	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville.....	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville.	125 00	35 46	7 80	4 00	10 69	10 40	..	1 00	4 37	212 00	2 10	412 82
Totals ...	....	2476 23	296 42	251 95	148 07	315 98	533 99	115 35	86 77	53 25	923 01	27 87	5228 89

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Treasurer: S. H. Averitt, Thomasville, N. C.

PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON FOR THE SESSION, AUGUST, 1907.

The next session will be held with the church at Piney Grove on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August, 1907. Elder J. T. Riddick to preach the sermon; Elder S. D. Swaim, alternate.

LIBERTY INSTITUTE, our associational school at Wallburg, N. C., under the able management of Prof. P. S. Vann, begins its fourth annual session August 27, 1906.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1906.

Adderton, W. S.....Denton, N. C.
Harrill, George P.....Thomasville, N. C.
Lanning, Jeff .....Denton, N. C.
Kesler, M. L.....Thomasville, N. C.
Leach, M. J.....Lassiter, N. C.
Morton, H. .....Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D.....Thomasville, N. C.
Riddick, J. T.....Lexington, N. C.
Sheets, Henry .....Lexington, N. C.
Stoker, Ambrose P.....Denton, N. C.
Swaim, S. D. .....Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

R. S. GREEN, JR., Chairman, Thomasville, N. C.
JAMES SMITH, C. M. WALL,
WILLIAM BOWERS, W. C. ROACH.

PROCEEDINGS.

THOMASVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH,
August 21, 1906.

The messengers from the churches composing the Liberty Baptist Association convened with this church to-day, in its seventy-third annual session. In the absence of both appointees, Elder J. S. Farmer preached the opening sermon from I John iv. 17: "Because as he is, so are we in this world."

INTERMISSION OF TWO HOURS FOR DINNER.

The Moderator called the body to order for the transaction of business. Mr. Archibald Johnson and Elder J. D. Newton were appointed reading clerks.

The roll of the churches was then called and the churches responded as follows:

Abbott's Creek—By letter.
Asheboro—Not represented.
Center Cross—Not represented.
Denton—J. A. Snider, W. B. Thompson and W. B. Russell.
Gravel Hill—By letter.
Holloway's—H. J. Palmer and Berry R. Cross.
Huldah—Elias Moore and J. L. Hall.
Jackson's Creek—John Pierce and Wilson Hughes.
Jersey—Geo. W. Palmer and Noah Barnes.
Lexington—J. W. Noell and Arthur Gallimore.
Lick Creek—P. M. Snider, W. L. Feezer and Albert Clayton Reid.
Maple Springs—Not represented.
Mount Lebanon—M. J. Leach.
New Friendship—H. F. Motsinger.
Oak Hill—Not represented.
Orphanage—S. H. Averitt, Venable Wilson and N. B. Moore.
Pine Meeting House—Francis Barnes, W. D. Green and Joe H. Beck.
Piney Grove—Geo. W. Wall and Roscoe Wall.
Reed's Cross Roads—A. E. Myers.
Rich Fork—William Bowers and T. H. Small.
Stoner's Grove—B. F. Roach.
Summerville—Letter on the way.
Taylor's Grove—Not represented.
Thomasville—Archibald Johnson, A. F. Sams and M. S. Stone.

The body then went into the election of officers.

On motion of Archibald Johnson, the former officers, *viz: Moderator*, James Smith: *Clerk*, Henry Sheets and *Treasurer*, S. H. Averitt, were re-elected for the ensuing year.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats. The following brethren accepted the invitation: Elder Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of State Mission Board; Prof. F. P. Hobgood, President of Oxford Female Seminary; Eld-

er J. S. Farmer, representing the *Biblical Recorder;* Elder S. F. Conrad, for the *North Carolina Baptist.* Also, Prof. P. S. Vann, Principal of Liberty Institute at Wallburg, was recognized, on this his first visit to this body.

The Chair appointed the following named brethren on Order of Business: A. Johnson, P. S. Vann and M. L. Kesler.

This committee at once presented a partial report, which follows:

Religious Exercises, 9:30 a. m.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Report on Periodicals, 3 to 3:30.
Report on Old Ministers' Relief, 3:30 to 4.

Foreign Missions was then made the special order for 8 o'clock to-night.

Mr. Archibald Johnson moved that all belated Church Letters be handed the Clerk without reading, as it interfered with the order of business. The motion was unanimously carried.

Elder Jeff Lanning read the

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

We think that all should take an interest in those who have worn themselves out preaching the Gospel and are in need and not able to care for themselves. It should be a privilege to care for those who have led us to Christ. We heartily commend this work to all of our churches. JEFF LANNING.

An able and helpful discussion was made on this report by Livingston Johnson, Prof. F. P. Hobgood and S H. Averitt. Pledges for this work were then taken, after which it was adopted.

The report on Periodicals was read by J. S. Farmer.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

This is an age of literature, and those who learn to discriminate have a fine art. Let us cling to the Bible, standard literature and increase the circulation of our own papers.

We recommend the Biblical Recorder, the organ of our work in North Carolina. It has served our denomination for seventy-two years and is now more able to serve than ever before. No Baptist family should be without this paper.

The North Carolina Baptist has done a commendable work in our State, especially in the cause of temperance.

Charity and Children should be in every home. We cannot keep in touch with the Orphanage without this paper. No paper of its kind in the whole country is its equal.

We also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field. Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
J. S. FARMER.

Remarks were then submitted by J. S. Farmer, S. F. Conrad, M. L. Kestler and Archibald Johnson.

Report adopted.

Elder J. D. Newton read the following resolution:

Resolved, That we shall have at each successive session of the Liberty Association, either in connection with or separate from the Report on State Missions, a report also of our Associational Missions, giving the names of our missionaries, the places served by them under the Board, a statement showing the amount of work done and the amount paid for the same by the Board, and the outlook, whether encouraging or otherwise. And, furthermore, that this report shall be presented either by the Executive Board of the Association or by a special committee appointed by the Moderator.

Respectfully submitted by J. D. NEWTON.

Adopted without discussion.

On motion, the Executive Board of this Association, elected last year, was re-elected to serve during the ensuing year, *viz:* R. S. Green, Jr., James Smith, William Bowers, W. C. Roach and C. M. Wall.

A good evening's work had been done, after which the body adjourned till 8 o'clock to-night.

Benediction by Elder S. F. Conrad.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

August 21st.

After service of song and prayer Elder M. L. Kestler read the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Carrying the Gospel to foreign lands and to alien peoples is the most unselfish work we are called upon to do. Going into all the world and preaching the Gospel to every creature is the sublime answer to the command of the King—a command which assumes neither doubt nor the possibility of failure. The ancient forms of religion are going into decay; there is in all the world a new searching after real truth—the whole world is open to the Gospel, the means of communication are so many and so great that all lands have come near our doors, making the opportunity so great that the mere neglect of it amounts to a crime.

The results are not to be measured in a day; the movement is ages long. Yet there is the greatest encouragement. When we carry the Gospel to the heathen we are at once carrying everything that is valuable to them. We are helping them to a better art of living—helping education, helping the orphan, the aged and infirm—the life which now is and that which is to come. It is the work nearest the heart of God and should most engage ours.

M. L. KESLER,
For Committee.

This was a most enlightening and encouraging service. The speakers were Elders M. L. Kestler, Livingston Johnson and J. S. Farmer; at the close of which Bro. John E. Ray, of Raleigh, led in prayer that God would call some one from our midst to the foreign mission work. Pledges were then taken and the report adopted.

The Moderator appointed brethren J. W. Noell and Joe H. Beck a Committee on Finance.

Brethren Archibald Johnson, A. E. Myers and H. F. Motsinger were appointed a Committee on Place and Preacher; who, after due consultation, reported Piney Grove (Wallburg) as the place, and Elder J. T. Riddick to preach the sermon, with Elder S. D. Swaim, alternate.

The report was adopted.

The remainder of the Order of Business was reported as follows:

WEDNESDAY.

9:30—Devotion.
10:00—Sunday Schools.
10:30—Temperance.
11:00—State Missions.
2:00—Miscellaneous Business.
2:30—Orphanage.
3:15—Education.

THURSDAY.

9:30—Devotion.
10:00—Woman's Work.
11:00—Home Missions.

Brother S. H. Averitt moved that Elder J. T. Riddick be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board of Trustees of Liberty Institute, made vacant by the removal of Elder W. A. Smith, which was carried.

Brother C. M. Wall was appointed as the Associational Representative on the Board of State Missions; and that his expenses be paid out of the State Mission Funds, collected in the Association.

Adjourned. Benediction by J. D. Newton.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

August 22nd.

Religious exercises conducted by Elder Jeff Lanning.

The Chair extended an invitation to any visiting brother. Prof. J. H. Gorrell, of Wake Forest College, and H. E

Copple, of the Union Association, accepted seats with us.

Temperance was substituted for the report on Sunday Schools as that was not ready.

Brother S. H. Averitt read the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

It is of the utmost importance that the moral forces of the State should bestir themselves in view of the danger that threatens the temperance cause. The liquor power never sleeps. Its minions may be defeated, but they are not destroyed. The wonderful advance that the cause of temperance has made within the past five years is a matter for profound thanksgiving, but the victory is not yet won.

Indeed, we are reaching a crisis on the liquor question and there is danger that much of the favorable legislation we have had may be paralyzed if not destroyed. Many candidates for the Legislature have been nominated who have always trained with the liquor forces, and while they are silent now they will speak hereafter.

A politician who has been in sympathy with the whisky interests is a dangerous man to trust. No matter to what party he belongs, he is generally true to his master. He may even make loud professions, but in his heart he is not in sympathy with our side.

We would urge the Association to take high ground on the temperance question. We believe that total prohibition is the goal toward which we should strive. Anything short of prohibition is ineffective if not positively dangerous. We heartily endorse the policy of the Anti-Saloon League and would second every effort made by this agency for the suppression of the liquor traffic.

We re-affirm our approval of the laws for the regulation and control of the traffic enacted by the General Assembly of 1903 and 1905, and pledge ourselves so far as possible to the support of men who will strengthen rather than weaken these laws.

We would also recommend to the churches of this Association that in exercising discipline they deal with members who drink liquor precisely as they deal with other offenders. Many churches are rigid in the enforcement of the rule against minor offenses and ignore altogether this great evil that brings more misery and woe in its train than any other single agency the devil employs.

S. H. AVERITT,
J. T. VALENTINE,
Committee.

This strong report was spoken to by S. H. Averitt. Report adopted.

Prof. John W. Cole read the

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It has ever been the policy of our Baptist people to train their children in what they believe to be in accord with the teachings of Christ. As a means by which this may be successfully done the Sunday school work has been adopted. We feel especially gratified at the progress which has been made, and realizing that the Sunday school work is the leading factor in the development of church life, we cannot afford to slacken our efforts in this direction.

It cannot be denied that the Sunday school student sooner or later becomes the leading light in our church work. Very seldom

does the loyal student in the Sunday school wander off into the company of the vicious and criminal. He is trained in something better. The object of our work in this direction is to prepare our boys and girls for loyal, active service in the field of religious endeavor, and wherein we fail in this high mission we incur an inevitable loss to the interest of our noblest work. Then, in the name of Christ and for the sake of our boys and girls, let us ever be loyal to their training while they are young.

J. W. COLE,
P. M. SNIDER,
Committee.

Owing to a press for time only one speech could be made, which was made by the writer of the report. The report was then adopted.

The hour for the consideration of State Missions having arrived, the very able report was read by Editor Archibald Johnson. Secretary Johnson made the speech of the day in support of this report.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is vital to our denominational life. The church that cannot be interested in giving the Gospel to every soul in North Carolina can hardly be expected to be in sympathy with the work of saving the heathen world.

We have been distressed to see that of the twenty-six churches in the Liberty Association, nine of them last year made no contribution whatever to the work of State Missions. It is true that those failing to join in with the others in this all important matter have a name to live and are dead, but it is our duty to see that so far as in us lies this situation shall be changed.

Furthermore, the contributions to State Missions by the contributing churches have not enlarged in proportion to the increasing prosperity of our churches. Never in all our history has the Lord so wonderfully blessed us. He has sent the early and the latter rains, our barns are bursting with plenty. Shall we continue to drag along at this poor dying rate, unmindful of the bountiful blessings that have come to us from His hand?

Last year there were employed under this board one hundred and forty missionaries. These men are making heroic sacrifices and the blessing of the Lord is upon the work they are doing. In destitute sections where the cause has long languished, and where, unaided by some outside source of help, they could not stay, they are sowing the seeds of truth that are springing up and bearing glorious harvests in these barren fields.

New houses are being built, dead churches are being revived, strong Sunday schools are growing up out of the patient labor of these tireless workers who have caught a vision of a better day in North Carolina, which they may not realize, but which by faith they know will come.

We cannot conceive, unless we had fully surveyed the field, how much we are indebted to the State Mission Board for our present prosperity as a denomination. Nearly all our strong churches were at one time helped on their feet by the timely aid of this Board. We have an example in the church in which we meet to-day of the fine results of help and sympathy when the night was dark and the road was rough and steep.

All over North Carolina this good work has been going on, and

yet the stretches of destitution are vast and the fields white to the harvest.

We commend to all our churches the urgent call that comes to us to sustain the State Mission Board in the work of uplifting our good State and placing within the reach of every man and woman and child in North Carolina the Gospel as we hold it.

Thirty thousand dollars will be required to pay the meager salaries of the missionaries, and of this amount only about $5,000 has been raised. Brethren, let us not be laggards in this work of love.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
WM. BOWERS.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

August 22nd.

The body was called to order. The matter of the publication of the history of the Liberty Association was taken up and discussed.

Mr. Archibald Johnson offered the following:

Resolved, That the Liberty Association assume the financial responsibility of the publication of the history prepared by Bro. Henry Sheets.

This was adopted unanimously.

On motion, the following brethren were appointed a Committee on Publication, *viz:* J. W. Noell, P. S. Vann and G. Foster Hankins, whose duty it is to carry the will of the Association into execution.

G. P. Harrill offered the following:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

Rev. M. S. Kesler was elected to the general management of the Orphanage one year ago. It seems that the Trustees were specially guided by the Lord in their selection of him to fill this position. His work with the other employees of the Orphanage has been harmonious and agreeable. It is but a modest expression to say that he possesses the affectionate confidence of the children as well as the employees.

During the past year much work has been done. The work of Charity and Children cannot be measured by the increased subscription list, though this one fact of increased number of readers does indicate its growing usefulness. The farm has been worth more to the Orphanage the past year than any previous year, and at the same time it is being steadily improved by terracing, deep plowing, rotation of crops, clearing of stumps and stones, and intelligent use of fertilizers. The shoe shop has been enlarged, and a greater number of boys are now employed, which means its usefulness is increased, since its prime object is the training of boys. It appears that the machine shop has finally reached the point of paying something above expenses. And now, last but greatest of all, the regular work of the Orphanage—greater than all the rest combined—the school, has been successful. Although the epidemic

of pneumonia stopped the work for a while, at the end of the year it was known that great work had been done.

A steam laundry is being installed, the Durham House has been finished, a convenient and commodious cow barn built, a horse barn and granary that surpasses anything of the kind in the county erected, the equipment of Charity and Children much improved, and the Orphanage grounds beautified by grading, road-making, hedge-setting and flower-planting, which we believe is only an earnest of what shall be done in future years to make the grounds one of the most attractive spots in North Carolina.

More than half of the eleven thousand dollars debt reported at the last session of the Association has been paid.

Let us close the report by calling attention to the greatest need of the Orphanage—a monthly contribution from every Baptist Sunday school in North Carolina.

G. P. HARRILL,
T. H. SMALL.

This stirring report brought out a live, interesting discussion. The interest was such, that the Association voted (by a standing vote) to build a Liberty Association Tabernacle, that will seat at our annual meetings, at least 5,000 people.

To carry out this motion the Moderator appointed the following committee: C. M. Wall, J. W. Noell and A. F. Sams.

It is hoped that the people will rally around this committee, filling their hands with means to build this pavilion for the accommodation of the visitors who attend the annual meetings.

It is ordered that the Clerk have five hundred copies of these Minutes printed and that he be allowed $10.00 for his services.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

For seventy-one years Wake Forest College has been training and educating young men for our pulpits, schools and every other profession in life, and many of her students have become the leading farmers in the State. To-day there is not a profession or a branch of business in which Wake Forest men do not stand in the lead.

The Baptist University for Women, though established only seven years ago, now enjoys a patronage of over three hundred students and the work she has already done in educating the noble womanhood of our State will pay back to our denomination every dollar with more than a thousand per cent. interest. But the work of these institutions cannot be measured by dollars, and we sin where we try to do so. To liberally support these institutions means to carry forward every department of our denominational work. Then we put forth our best efforts to encourage and support these our institutions.

Chowan Baptist Female Institute and Oxford Female Seminary have for many years been doing noble work in educating our girls and we rejoice at their success.

LIBERTY INSTITUTE.

We feel grateful for the work that our associational school, Liberty Institute at Wallburg, has already done in the training of our boys and girls. The Institute has already won a warm place in the hearts of many of our people. We are determined to put forth every effort in our power to encourage the work and induce our people to patronize our school. We realize the fact that we must centralize our forces and make a strenuous effort to arouse our boys and girls to a sense of their duty to educate their minds and hearts for the work God will give them to do.

This report was discussed by Prof. P. S. Vann, Prof. J. H. Gorrell and Archibald Johnson. Pledges were taken and report adopted.

Announced that Elder Livingston Johnson will preach in this house to-night at 8 o'clock.

Treasurer Averitt read his report to the body, which follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

For Foreign Missions	$ 62.29
For Home Missions	44.81
For State Missions	101.36
For Sunday school work and colportage	9.07
For Education	41.33
For Ministerial Relief	17.50
For Minute Fund	25.98
Total receipts	$302.34

Disbursements.

For Foreign Missions	$ 62.29
For Home Missions	44.81
For State Missions	101.36
For Sunday school work and colportage	9.07
For Education	41.33
For Ministerial Relief	17.50
For Minute Fund	25.98
Total Disbursements	$302.34

Respectfully,

S. H. AVERITT, Treasurer.

Report adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren to write on the subjects indicated below:

On State Missions—G. P. Harrill, Wm. Bowers.
On Home Missions—J. D. Newton, J. T. Valentine.
On Foreign Missions—J. T. Riddick, J. W. Noell.
On Periodicals—Archibald Johnson, M. S. Stone.
On Education—P. S. Vann, Geo. W. Wall.
On Orphanage—M. L. Kesler, R. S. Green, Jr.
On Sunday Schools—Jeff Lanning, L. A. Tysinger.

On Minister's Relief—S. D. Swaim, R. K. Williams.
On Temperance—Joe H. Beck, John W. Cole.
On Obituaries—H. Morton, P. M. Snider.
On Woman's Work—S. H. Averitt, C. M. Wall.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning 9:30 o'clock. Benediction by M. J. Leach.

THURSDAY MORNING.

AUGUST 23rd.

Religious exercises conducted by Elder S. D. Swaim. Brother Archibald Johnson read the report on

WOMAN'S WORK.

No department of our mission is more hopeful than that of the women, which is being pushed with so great zeal throughout our State. We note with gratitude its constantly widening influence in our churches.

Without separating it from the general work of the churches, it permits the women to do their work in their own way unhampered by less progressive brethren who stickle over methods, and discourage rather than stimulate the mission spirit. It not only develops and nourishes the grace of giving, but it disseminates missionary information without which no sustained or permanent missionary effort is possible.

In addition to the special work among the adults, a great work is being done through this agency by the children banded together under the bright name of Sunbeams. These children are growing up in a missionary atmosphere that means large things for the cause in future years. We have observed that as soon as a missionary society is established in a church the motherly instinct of the members turns them toward the children.

We regret that in the bounds of the Liberty Assocation we have but three Woman's Missionary Societies and urge our sisters in the different churches to address themselves to the work of organizing. The marvellous success that has attended those already established proves the necessity of such organization in every church.

The missionary spirit has been mightily quickened throughout our church life where a live woman's missionary society exists, and this influence upon the community at large is in every way helpful and uplifting.

We hope that within the year to come the number of societies in our Association will be largely increased and that at Wallburg next summer, at the meeting of the Association an organization of the societies in the body may be effected.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

Remarks were made on this report by Henry Sheets, Archibald Johnson, Livingston Johnston and S. D. Swaim.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The report on Home Missions was read by Secretary Johnson.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board is located in Atlanta, Ga. Dr. B. D. Gray is Corresponding Secretary, and Rev. J. F. Love, a North Carolinian, is Assistant Secretary. Rev. A. E. Brown, another North Carolina man, has supervision of the work among the mountains.

Several important departments are under the direction of the Home Board. Perhaps the most important work of the Board is that being done in the rapidly growing cities of the South. During the past ten years the total population of Baltimore, St. Louis and New Orleans increased 400,000. The net increase of the Baptist churches in these cities has been only 1,300. The gain of these cities in population has been three hundred times as great as the gain of membership in their Baptist churches. A stream of foreign population is constantly pouring into each of these and other cities of the South. It is evident that unless we Christianize these foreigners they will greatly affect our Christianity in these strongholds of the South.

On the frontier the Home Board is doing important work. What we call the "frontier" embraces the States of Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma—a territory of 499,320 square miles, with a population of 10,500,000. In addition to furnishing preachers, the Board is aiding this vast territory in building churches.

In Cuba the work is in a prosperous condition. While we do not hear as much about it now as in the palmy days of Diaz, we have every reason to believe that it is on a much more solid foundation.

In the mountain regions of the South the Board is doing an exceedingly important educational work. Schools are being founded and fostered throughout this section by the Home Board. North Carolina has more of these schools and receives a larger appropriation for their support than any other State. The future of our cause in the mountains depends largely upon the work of these schools. Although, with one exception, they have been in operation in our State less than a decade, their influence is being greatly felt.

At the last Convention a new department was created, called "the work of evangelism." The Board was instructed to employ a man as the head of this department with as many assistants as they deemed wise to employ, provided the amount expended on this department would not exceed $25,000. Dr. W. W. Hamilton has been secured as head of this department. There is considerable doubt in the minds of many as to the wisdom of this new movement, but time will vindicate its wisdom or show its folly. For the first year the Board does not contemplate spending more than $7,000 on this department, and that amount will, no doubt, be contributed to Home Missions by the points at which the evangelists will hold meetings. As this will not take anything out of the treasury of the Board, let us hold our opinions in abeyance until the experiment shall have been tried. Meantime, let us give our loyal support to the Board because of its work in other departments about whose importance there can be no question.

H. MORTON,
R. S. GREENE.

Livingston Johnson spoke to the report, after which pledges were taken.

Report adopted.

Verbal reports were made in regard to some delinquent churches.

On motion of G. P. Harrill, the churches at Maple Springs, Centre Cross, Marion and Asheboro, be written to by the Clerk, Henry Sheets, to report at the next session of this body, otherwise they will be dropped from the roll of churches.

The following brethren were appointed as delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention: S. D. Swaim; his alternate, Prof. P. S. Vann.

Delegates to the State Baptist Convention were appointed as follows: G. P. Harrill, J. W. Noell and P. S. Vann.

S. D. Swaim offered the following:

VOTE OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the Association record a vote of thanks to the Baptist church and the people of Thomasville for their abundant hospitality.

This was adopted by a rising vote.

Elder H. Morton offered the following, in order that those appointed to write on obituaries may be able to make notice of all who die, from one session to the next:

Resolved: That, the churches be requested to report the names of those that die during the year, together with their age.

It was adopted.

The work being done, we adjourned to meet one year hence at Wallburg.

The work was done without undue haste. It was entirely harmonious. The Holy Spirit was with us and joy beamed from every face. Enlargement was in the air and every worker left Thomasville full of hope for a better year's work than we have ever accomplished in any year of the past.

The music by the Choir was fine, indeed, and called forth many words of appreciation from delegates and visitors.

The last Hymn—"God be with you till we meet again," was sung most tenderly, and all felt the power of this song.

Pastor G. P. Harrill touched us all with the closing prayer.

The Lord be praised for His presence.

JAMES SMITH, *Moderator.*

HENRY SHEETS, *Secretary.*

Work of the Woman's Missionary Societies and Sunbeams.

There were two of these Societies last year—Lexington and Thomasville. One more has recently been added to the number—Wallburg. The Liberty Association is fortunate in having these three societies within her bounds. They are doing a fine work and exerting a wholesome influence on the work of this body.

Some of the results have been startling and the eyes of the whole body are on these societies, and they are destined ere long to influence the work of the women in all of our churches, and will prove a strong agency in revolutionizing the work here in our midst.

All hail to the Christian women! They are showing their brethren what consecration can do for God's Kingdom.

SOCIETIES IN LEXINGTON CHURCH.

The Society has a membership of 33. Mrs. S. L. Owen, Lexington, N. C., is President.

CONTRIBUTION.

Building and Repairing	$ 3.10
State Missions	8.00
Home Missions	5.75
Foreign Missions	14.95
Aid Fund in Bank	50.00
Total of work done	$81.80

Sunbeams.

Miss Mabel Tucker, Lexington, N. C., is President. The Society has a membership of 14.

Societies in Thomasville Church.

This Society has enrolled a membership of 20.

Miss Maggie Morton, Thomasville, N. C., is President. The Society has contributed as follows:

State Missions	$ 43.61
Home Missions	64.85
Foreign Missions	35.30
Other objects	10.40
Total	$154.16

Sunbeams.

Miss Isabelle Cecil, Thomasville, N. C., is President. The membership is 15.

Society in Piney Grove Church.

This Society, recently organized, has an enrollment of 8. Mrs. C. M. Wall, Wallburg, N. C., is President.

Contributions.

Home Missions	$ 5.50
Foreign Missions	5.50
In Treasury	2.25
Total	$13.25
Total contributions by these Societies	$249.21

TABLE OF PLEDGES FOR 1906–1907.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.	Ministerial relief.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek	$15 00	$ 5 00	$12 00	$22 50	$ 5 00	$ 4 00	$ 63 50
Asheboro	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Center Cross	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Denton	7 00	3 50	7 00	15 00	2 00	3 50	38 50
Gravel Hill	6 00	4 00	8 00	9 00	2 00	2 50	31 50
Holloway's	17 00	6 00	16 00	20 00	5 00	3 50	67 50
Huldah	1 00	.....	1 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	5 50
Jackson's Creek	1 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	.....	.....	8 00
Jersey	25 00	7 00	20 00	20 00	8 00	3 00	83 00
Lexington	50 00	25 00	75 00	75 00	15 00	5 00	245 00
Liberty	5 00	5 00	12 00	12 50	3 00	2 00	39 50
Lick Creek	8 00	4 00	12 00	15 00	3 00	3 00	45 00
Maple Springs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Lebanon	2 50	1 00	3 00	2 50	1 00	1 00	11 00
New Friendship	11 00	6 00	10 00	35 00	3 00	1 50	66 50
Oak Hill	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	10 00
Orphanage	50 00	30 00	40 00	50 00	10 00	5 00	185 00
Pine Meeting House	20 00	8 00	14 00	20 00	5 00	4 00	71 00
Piney Grove	50 00	25 00	50 00	30 00	7 00	5 00	167 00
Reed's Cross Roads	10 00	8 00	22 50	20 00	3 00	3 00	66 50
Rich Fork	10 00	6 00	9 00	10 00	3 00	2 00	40 00
Stoner's Grove	5 00	4 00	4 25	8 00	1 50	1 50	24 20
Summerville	.....	1 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	3 05
Taylor's Grove	3 50	.....	2 00	4 00	50	1 00	11 00
Thomasville	25 00	25 00	35 00	20 00	.....	2 50	107 50
Totals	324 00	154 00	406 75	398 00	80 00	54 00	$1416 75

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—AUGUST, 1906.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES.	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Number Scholars.	Total.	No. Schools.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers taken.	Months kept open.	Average Attendance.	School Expenses.
Abbott's Creek	N. R. Teague, Kernersville, r f.d.	Not given	6	64	70	1	...	....	12	35	$ 7 00
Center Cross			1	...	....	..	....	....	....	...	.....
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton	W. T. Tysinger, Denton	10	120	130	1	100	100	12	58	13 40
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	Mrs. Bertha Sheets, Riley's Store	5	41	46	1	....	37	12	30	4 25
Holloway's	Berry R. Cross, Silver Hill.	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill	6	23	59	1	75	50	12	40	4 00
Huldah	Elias Moore, Michfield	W. L. Clark, Michfield	5	27	32	1	...	80	3	22	80
Jackson's Creek	No School reported										
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	J. T. Disher, Linwood.	8	79	87	1	....	105	12	42	12 98
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	James Smith, Lexington	21	286	307	2	....	400	12	185	140 36
Liberty	N. T Kindly, Thomasville. r.f.d.5	S H. Kindley, Thomasville, rfd5	....	..	....		....	....	..	.....	
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill, r.f.d.		8	55	83	1	100	100	....	....	4 00
Maple Springs	No report		....	..	....	..	....	....	....	..	.....
Marion	No report		....	..	....	..	....	....	....	....	.....
Mt Lebanon	J. D. Welch, Pisgah	C. W. Shaw, Strieby	5	30	35	1	....	30	7	20	2 20
New Friendship	Branson Charles. Winston-Salem	Not given	5	38	43	1	...	....	..	25	6 00
Oak Hill			....	..	....	..	....	....	....	....	.....
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	John Hutchins, Thomasville	12	..	....	..	....	330	12	248	.....
Pine Meeting House	J. H. Beck, Jubilee	Ed. Rickard, Linwood	15	128	143	2	100	147	12	80	30 58
Piney Grove	P. S. Vann, Wallburg.	Roscoe L. Wall, Wallburg	8	82	90	1		100	12	62	23 57
Reed's Cross Roads	H. C. Meyers, Lexington, r.f.d. 3	Thurman Fry, Lexington, rfd 3	8	90	98	1	75	95	12	50	10 60
Rich Fork	Wm. Bowers, Lake	Oscar Bowers, Lake	7	60	67	1		75	12	35	6 00
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood	J. D. Lookabill, Linwood	8	60	68	1	..	55	12	30	5 00
Summerville	No report		....	..	....	..	....	....	....	..	.....
Taylor's Grove	A. H. Michael. Chandler's.	H. J. Bailey, Chandler's.	5	45	50	1	..	80	6	36	2 10
Thomasville	A. F. Sams, Thomasville.	G. W. Johnson, Thomasville.	9	120	129	1	..	....	12	46	60 00
Total			151	1398	1549	19	450	1784	...	.	332 84

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1906.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Added.				Lost.				Gain.	Lost.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
		Baptisms.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.					
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	7	2	..	9	3	..	3	6	3	....	59	110	169
Center Cross	No report.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	3	3	1	7	...	1	2	3	4	...	48	48	96
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	5	....	....	5	...	1	1	2	3	....	11	27	38
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill, r.f.d. 1	17	....	1	18	2	....	4	6	12	...	68	133	201
Huldah	Vester Moore, Michfield	6	..	....	6	....	..	....	....	6	....	10	14	24
Jackson's Creek	John Pierce, Cox	5	4	..	9	..	..	....	....	9	..	30	67	97
Jersey	G. W. Palmer, Linwood	11	..	2	13	6	.	....	6	7	....	78	103	181
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	1	8	...	9	12	1	6	19	....	10	74	139	213
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville, r.f d 5	7	.	2	9	3	.	1	4	5	....	59	103	162
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill, r.f.d. 1.	2	...	....	2	7	4	3	14	...	12	41	60	101
Maple Springs	No report.	....	..	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	35
Marion	No report.	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welch, Pisgah.	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	11	26	37
New Friendship	S. A. Hege, Winston-Salem	..	1	...	1	1	.	3	4	....	3	42	70	112
Oak Hill	No report.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	53
Orphanage	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	81	8	....	89	11	..	..	11	78	....	113	131	244
Pine Meeting House	R. K Williams, Linwood	21	1	8	30	9	26	1	36	...	6	68	119	187
Piney Grove	J. Ezra Motsinger, Wallburg.	...	6	....	6	2	1	1	4	....	..	35	55	90
Reeds Cross Roads	H. C. Myers, Lexington	7	1	..	8	12	....	7	....	....	10	62	98	160
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	4	..	..	4	3	..	1	4	....	..	34	63	97
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood	3	4	...	7	..	1	....	1	6	....	24	32	56
Summerville	No report.	....	....	..	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	31
Taylor's Grove	No report.	..	....	....	..	..	...	..	...	....	....	8	13	21
Thomasville	J. T. Valentine, Thomasville	3	5	...	8	6	....	....	6	2	....	25	37	62
Total		183	43	14	240	77	35	33	126	137	41	900	1448	2348

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FINANCIAL TABLE, LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1906.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Old Ministers Relief.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek	Thos. Carrick, High Point.	$150 00	$	$10 00	$ 7 00	$	$15 00	$ 5 00	$12 00	$22 50	$....	$5 00	$4 00	$.....	$2 25	$232 75
Center Cross	No report.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Denton	Jeff Lanning, Denton.	75 00	.....	15 00	13 40	...	6 00	3 50	6 00	14 00	.....	2 00	3 50	55 00	61	194 01
Gravel Hill	Henry Sheets, Lexington.	60 00	...	...	4 25	...	5 00	3 75	8 00	8 00	.....	1 50	1 63	5 65	1 01	98 79
Galloway's	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150 00	....	...	....	.....	20 43	6 00	20 00	20 00	...	5 00	3 60	23 60	1 46	250 09
Huldah	I. L. Hall, Carmel.	30 00	10 00	.....	80	...	80	50	50	1 00	..	.....	40	.....	30	43 30
Jackson's Creek	L. G. Lewis, Thomasville.	30 00	....	11 39	.....	...	...	1 00	2 50	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	....	30	47 89
Jersey	S. D. Swaim, Lexington.	150 00	.....	30 00	12 98	.....	22 00	7 00	21 23	20 00	...	8 00	4 20	....	3 05	276 46
Lexington	J. T. Reddick, Lexington.	900 00	8 33	131 28	140 36	79 18	58 00	30 75	89 95	.....	.....	15 00	5 00	100 00	3 25	1564 35
Liberty	Jeff. Lanning, Denton	75 00	...	50	2 49	...	5 00	5 00	12 00	12 50	...	3 00	2 00	21 15	1 01	139 65
Lick Creek	Henry Sheets, Lexington.	100 00	60 00	18 00	4 00	...	8 66	6 00	10 00	15 00	...	3 00	1 50	.....	1 25	227 41
Maple Springs	No report....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion	No report.	.....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon	No Pastor.	.....	...		2 20	...	2 50	1 00	3 00	2 50	...	.....	1 00	12 40	30	24 60
New Friendship	G. W. Reid, Reidsville.	125 00	...	7 00	6 00	.....	11 00	6 00	12 00	38 75	....	3 00	1 50	2 00	2 00	214 25
Oak Hill	J. D. Newton, Thomasville	25 00	.....		.....		2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	...	2 00	....	...	50	34 50
Orphanage	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville.	110 38	181 35	25 75	.....	21 35	50 00	30 00	40 89	79 67	...	20 01	5 00	.....	2 00	577 29
Pine M. House	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150 00	.....	20 00	30 58	.....	22 00	10 00	17 00	27 00	...	8 00	5 53	35 00	2 62	327 73
Piney Grove	Henry Sheets, Lexington.	100 00	.....	35 00	23 57	.....	35 00	18 00	35 00	25 00	...	6 50	5 00	197 00	2 50	382 57
Reed's X Roads	S. D. Swaim, Lexington.	150 00	30 00	14 09	10 60	.....	12 08	7 75	21 76	21 60	.....	3 60	3 00	.....	2 05	276 23
Rich Fork	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville.	80 00	.....		6 00	.....	9 50	4 46	10 00	9 00	.....	3 52	3 57	18 00	1 00	145 05
Stoner's Grove	Jeff. Lanning, Denton.....	60 00	5 00	.....	5 00		4 00	3 00	9 00	5 00	...	1 50	1 50	. ..	75	94 75
Summerville	Jeff. Lanning, Denton.....					.....	.....			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....
Taylor's Grove	Jeff. Lanning, Denton.....	85 00	87 75	.....	2 10	.....	3 00	50	1 50	2 50	.....	50	1 00	.....	50	184 35
Thomasville	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville.	175 00	3 45	60 69	60 00	.....	66 31	28 12	71 22	33 15	5 00	2 00	6 00	293 57	2 00	856 51
Totals	....	2780 38	389 88	378 70	331 33	100 53	358 28	181 35	405 55	350 17	5 00	93 13	52 93	763 37	29 91	6270 60

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Clerk: P. S. Vann, Wallburg, N. C.
Treasurer: S. H. Averitt, Thomasville, N. C.

PLACE, TIME, AND PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON FOR THE SESSION AUGUST, 1908.

The next session will be held with the church at Denton on Tuesday after the third Sunday in August, 1908. Elder M. L. Kesler to preach the sermon; Elder Henry Sheets, Alternate.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION AUGUST, 1907.

Adderton, W. S. . . . . Denton, N. C.
Harrill, G. P. . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
Lanning, Jeff . . . . . Denton, N. C.
Kesler, M. L. . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
Leach, M. J. . . . . Lassiter, N. C.
Morton, H. . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
Newton, J. D. . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
Sheeets, Henry . . . . . Lexington, N. C.
Swaim, S. D. . . . . Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

R. S. GREEN, Jr., JAMES SMITH, C. M. WALL.
R. K. WILLIAMS. J. W. NOELL.

Proceedings.

WALLBURG BAPTIST CHURCH,
August 20, 1907.

The messengers from the churches composing the Liberty Baptist Association convened with this church to-day, in its seventy-fourth annual session. By special request Dr. R. T. Vann preached the introductory sermon. He used as his text, Mark 5:19: "Go home to thy friends and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath compassion on thee." His sermon was beautiful and very helpful to us all.

INTERMISSION OF ONE AND ONE-HALF HOURS FOR DINNER.

At two o'clock the Moderator called the Association to order for business. Bro. L. Johnson led in prayer.

The Moderator appointed the following to read the church letters. J. W. Noell and R. S. Green, Jr.

The roll of churches was called and they responded as follows:

Abbott's Creek—C. H. Teague, N. R. Teague and J. R. Phillips.
Asheboro—By letter.
Center Cross—By letter.
Denton—W. B. Thompson and C. H. Tysinger.
Gravel Hill—William A. Russell.
Holloway's—By letter.
Jackson's Creek—By letter.
Jersey.
Lexington—J. W. Noell, J. D. Walser and R. B. Miller.
Lick Creek—W. Alex Stoker, Jno. Skeen and J. L. Snider
Liberty—J. M. Easter, J. A. Hepler and Martin Williams.
Maple Springs—By letter.
Mount Lebanon—By letter.
Oak Hill—M. F. Underwood and C. M. Royals.
Orphanage—M. L. Kesler, S. H. Averitt and J. F. Clinard.
Pine Metting House—A. R. Williams.
Reed's Cross Roads—B. O. Meyers and Lloyd Craver.
Rich Fork—J. Mills Newton and T. H. Small.
Stoner's Grove—B. F. Roach and J. H. Wafford.
Summerville—By letter.
Taylor's Grove—C. L. Bailey and H. J. Bailey.
Thomasville—R. S. Green, A. Johnson and H. Morton.
Wallburg—C. M. Wall, J. E. Motsinger and J. A. Divinette.

A. Johnson and S. D. Swaim were appointed to arrange the programme for this session.

The Association elected the following officers: J. W. Noell, *Moderator;* P. S. Vann, *Clerk;* S. H. Averitt. *Treasurer,* for the ensuing year.

The Association very warmly expressed its appreciation

of the efficient and faithful services which Bro. James Smith, as Moderator, and Bro. Henry Sheets, as Clerk, have rendered for many years. These men are greatly loved for their faithfulness.

An invitation was extended to visiting brethren. The following responded:

Pres. R. T. Vann, Baptist University for Women.
L. Johnson, Secretary of State Missions.
Pres. F. B. Hobgood, Oxford Female Seminary.
S. F. Conrad, North Carolina Baptist.
J. B. Carlyle, Wake Forest College.
B. F. Parham, of the Flat River Association.
W. H. Davis, of the West Chowan Association.

The chair appointed J. D. Newton and C. M. Wall finance committee.

S. D. Swaim reported for the committee on arrangement of the programme. This afternoon, State Missions. This evening at eight o'clock, Education.

G. P. Harrill read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

As an incentive to rally around our state mission flag we recommend the re-reading of the first paragraph in Secretary Johnson's report before the State Convention in Greensboro last December. What State Missions has done for the cause of Christ in Greensboro it has done on a smaller scale in a great number of communities in North Carolina.

There are now over one hundred and fifty State Missionaries employed by the State Mission Board for all or a part of their time These men reported at last convention over two thousand baptisms, sixty-six church houses under construction, and twenty-one finished during the year.

When the brethren heard the report on State Missions at Greensboro and the animated discussion that followed, they seemed eager to undertake greater things. They voted heartily to appropriate forty thousand dollars to State Missions for this year. This is thirty three and one third per cent. more than we raised for the previous year. Let us all bear this in mind when we make our contributions this fall.

Paul says to the Galations, "Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth all good things." It seems that whole churches as well as indivudal Christians hear and heed this injunction. We know of an exception to the rule, that where a church has been helped by the State Mission Board, when too weak to exist without its aid, you will find a strong missionary body when it has reached the point of self support. Let us then rejoice that such a large per cent of the newly constituted churches in the State have been organized under the direction and support of the State Mission Board.

G. P. HARRILL,
Wm. BOWERS.

The report was discussed by: G. P. Harrill, L. Johnson, R. S. Green, Jr., Henry Sheets and J. B. Carlyle.

Pledges were then taken for State Missions, amounting

to $427.50, an inerease of $105.50 over last year's pledges.
The report was adopted.
J. S. Farmer of the Biblical Recorder, was recognized.
Announcements were made and the Association was adjourned to eight o'clock in the evening. Prayer by G. P. Harrill.

TUESDAY NIGHT'S SESSION.

Body was called to order by the Moderator at eight o'clock. Prayer by Thomas Carrick.
P. S. Vann read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION AS TO OUR COLLEGES.

There was never a time when it was so necessary that we, as a denomination, should stand firmly together in liberal support of our denominational schools. The time has come when we must stand for our rights by educating our boys and girls in our own denominational schools. If our religious beliefs and doctrines are founded upon the New Testament Teachings and if we know this fact we should do all in our power to inculcate Baptist principles into the minds and hearts of our youth.

Wake Forest college now enjoys an enrollment of over 350 students.

The University for Women at Raleigh now has over 350 students.

Graduates from these institutions easily take the front rank in progress of education, business and every honorable work in our State.

Oxford Female Seminary and Chowan Baptist Female Institute have done a lasting work for the upbuilding of our noble women. Year after year their patronage increases. We rejoice in their progress.

This report was discussed by P. S. Vann, J. B. Carlyle, R. T. Vann and G. P. Harrill.
Moved by A. Johnson that the report be tabled until tomorrow morning's session.
By request R. T. Vann sang "My Aain Countree" for the Association. It was enjoyed greatly.
The meeting was then adjourned. Prayer by Jeff. Lanning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING'S SESSION, AUG. 21.

At nine-thirty devotional exercises were conducted by J. S. Farmer.
At ten o'clock the Association was called to order by its Moderator.
On motion of A. Johnson the report on Education was taken from the table and Pres. F. P. Hobgood was given ten minutes to tell of Oxford Female Seminary. The report on Education was adopted.
The Moderator announced the following committees:
Committee on place and preacher: G. W. Wall, B. O.

Myers, and J. D. Walser.

Committee to nominate Executive Board: A. Johnson, Henry Sheets and Jeff. Lanning.

A. Johnson read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In secular affairs, especially in the political realm, the newspaper is a prime necessity. it is the defense and the despair of the candidate. He is utterly dependent on the friendship of the editors who defend him and he is powerless to dodge the shafts of those who oppose him. Between the two the people are usually able to form conclusions that are about right. The trade journals are becoming more and more a factor in the business world, and almost every important line has its particular organ; even the liquor traffic finds a hoarse voice through its newspaper. The children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light. Farmers, merchants, manufacturers, bankers, lawyers, doctors and many other trades and professions, feel the necessity of keeping in close touch with their work by means of their organs, but thousands of christians blunder along through life as blind as bats.

A clear, sane, honest denominational voice is an absolute necessity. Without it we could not keep our battle line intact. The call to our great host must reach the ranks. The independent churches must recognize their inter-independence. The stimulus from the brotherhood must stir our indivudual hearts. We must join hands with our bretheren in the onward movements of our host. These things can be accomplished only through the accepted medium which becomes the expression of an organized unit.

The Biblical Recorder has been for seventy years the agency through which our people have given expressions to their wishes. Its editors have not always been wise but they have always been true to the general principles for which we stand. Into every Baptist home in the Associaeion the Recorder ought to go; and into every home where the inmates are thoroughly interested in the progress of our principles, it does go.

The North Carolina Baptist is throughly loyal to all our work and has been a blessing to thousands of our people. The Home Field serves a useful purpose in furnishing information concerning the great work of the Home Mission Board; the Foreign Mission Journal represents the greatest of all objects—the evangelization of the whole wide world.

Our Sunday School should find joy in using the literature provided by our Sunday School Board. Charity and Children is the organ of our Orphanage.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
M. S. STONE,
Committee.

This report was discussed by A. Johnson, J. S. Farmer, S. F. Conrad and R. S. Green.

The report was adopted.

O. L. Powers. Pickett and Burton of the Piedmont were recognized.

At 11:45 a. m. the report on the Orphanage was read by M. L. Kesler.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Thomasville Baptist Orphanage stands in our midst and should be no stranger to us.

During the twenty-two years of its history it has sheltered nearly one thousand children. When our room is all taken this Fall we will have in the neighborhood of 375 children. The health of the institution has been excellent, we could hardly ask for a better health record than we have had during the past year.

Contributions have been good through the year, though for the past few months we have been running behind. Last fall the old debt was practically wiped out. The need now is that the people rise to the larger task of taking care of the larger number of children. When all the room is taken about $600 dollars will be needed every week. Our people must be aroused to the realization of the fact that the pledges of last year are too small to take care of the Orphanage this year.

One year ago this body decided to build an arbor on the Orphanage grounds and appointed a committee to take the matter in hand. A short while after this it was learned that the Davie County churches proposed to the trustees that they were willing to move the Mocksville arbor to the Orphanage allowing the proceeds from the sale of the lot to pay for moving and rebuilding. So it seemed best to the committee from the association to yield to the Mocksville movement and of course made no effort to raise money for that purpose. Your committee beg leave to suggest that our association show its interest in the Orphanage by providing two rooms in the new infirmary. It can be done by and in the name of the women of the Liberty Association.

This building, along with the Noah Richardson Library will go up this Fall if present plans do not miscarry.

We urge, in conclusion, that every Sunday school take monthly collections for the Orphanage and that each Sunday school take a club of charity children and that each church make a Thanksgiving offering at the appointment nearest Thanksgiving day.

M. L. KESLER,
R. S. GREEN, Jr.
Committee.

The report was discussed by M. L. Kesler, Thos. Carrick, J. W. Noell, H. Sheets, S. H. Averitt, A. Johnson, S. D. Swaim.

Pledges were taken for the Orphanage. Amount of Pledges $598.75, an increase or $100.75 over last year.

Moved and carried that a committee of three women be appointed by the Moderator to carry into effect the recommendation in the Orphanage report providing two rooms in the Infirmary at a cost of $500.00 each by the women of the Liberty Association.

S. D. Swaim reported on the order of exercises.

Meeting adjourned to two o'clock p. m.

Prayer by M. L. Kesler.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Two o'clock Association called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by H. Morton.

Minutes read and approved.

The committee to nominate the executive committee of Liberty Association submitted the following report and it was approved:

R. S. Green, Jr., James Smith, C. M. Wall, R. K. Williams and J. W. Noell.

Committee: A. Johnson. Jeff. Lanning, and H. Sheets.

The report on Foreign Missions was read as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The fields of operations by our Home Board are in our Southland, Cuba, Isle of Pines and Panama. Perhaps the board never faced more solemn responsibilities or greater opportunities than now. The industrial movements of our country are southward and westward. Great numbers of people of all nationalities are finding homes in the South and West and cities are being built at a rapid rate and our Home board is trying as far as possible to supply the needs of the situation, not only in the cities, but in the mountain sections.

During the last year 865 workers were employed and 18,798 baptisms were reported and 271 churches were organized.

The board received $231,834.03 last year, an increase of $55,422.-80 over the previous year.

The convention in Richmond last May decided to make a great increase in contributions to Home Missions and this year we are working on a basis of $500,000.

The Evangelistic Department of our Home Board work is encouraging and stimulating the gifts and spirit of Miss Sims and let us pray for our evangelists.

J. D. NEWTON, Committee.

The report on State Missions was read as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The parting words of Christ, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," rings out clear and unmistakable to God's dear children. The importance of Foreign Mission work is measured only by the value of the soul. Jesus, knowing the worth of the soul, asked, "What shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Could we but realize that all heaven is so much interested we certainly would strive to inform ourselves as to the requirements of the gospel and the needs of lost men, and give ourselves wholly to them.

The spirit of missions has grown of late years among our people as never before. Many churches in our Southland, as well as elsewhere, are rising high above anything hitherto known. This is as it should be. But has the Liberty Association moved forward as she should have done? There has been gratifying advancement amongst some of our churches, but some of them lack interest in this important work, but every one might go forward beyond anything yet done.

It is recommended that the pastors of this Association visit the churches with the pastors, during the coming winter, and discuss the subject of missions before our people till all our people will

have been thoroughly aroused to the fact that thousands of our race are dying daily without hope of eternal life and that it is not only a duty but a privilege to aid in carrying out the command of Christ.

HENRY SHEETS, Committee.

These reports were discussed by O. L. Powers, D. B. Rickard, S. D. Swaim, H. Sheets, S. F. Conrad, A. Johnson, J. W. Noell, G. P. Harrill.

Pledges for these two objects were taken. Amount of Home Mission Pledges, $205.00, and increase of $51.00 over last year. Amount of Foreign Mission Pledges, $427.00, an increase of $20.25 over last year.

Report of the Woman's Missionary Societies and Sunbeam Societies, was read as follows:

There were six of these societies last year—a Womans Missionary Society, also a Sunbeam Band at Lexington, Thomasville and Wallburg. Each, as the report shows, are doing a fine work. Recently two more Missionary Societies have been added to the number, Jersey and Denton.

SOCIETIES IN LEXINGTON CHURCH.

The Society has a membership of 35. Mrs. S. L. Owen, Lexington, N. C., is President.

CONTRIBUTION.

State Missions	$13.50
Home Missions	12.00
Foreign Missions	35.75
Margaret Home	1.00
Expense Fund	1.85
Total for Missions	$64.10
Carpet	45.00
Cleaning Church	3.10
For Bible	10.00
Total given	$122.20

SUNBEAMS (LEXINGTON.)

Number of members—20.

Contributions.

State Missions	$2 35
Home Missions	2.25
Foreign Missions	15.09
Total for Missions	$19.69
Orphanage	12.00
Total given	$31.69

Also sent a gift to China.

Societies in Thomasville Church.

The society has a membership of 22. Mrs. J. P. Harrel, Thomasville, N. C., is President.

Contributions.

State Missions	$27.74
Home Missions	41.60

Foreign Missions	46.80
Other objects	9.60
Total	$125.74

Sunbeams.

Miss Janie Williams is President. The society has a membership of 20.

Contributions.

State Missions	$5.00
Home Missions	6.16
Foreign Missions	12.68
Total for Missions	$23.84

Societies in Wallburg Church.

Mrs. C. M. Wall, Wallburg, N. C., is President. The society has a membership of 14.

Contributions.

State Missions	$19.50
Expense Fund	.80
Home Missions	3.80
Self Denial	8.55
Foreign Missions	20.00
Christmas Offering	8.22
Total	$60.87

Sunbeams.

Miss Louise Turnley, Wallburg, N. C., is President. The society has a membership of 56.

Contributions.

State Missions	$ 3.00
Home Missions	2.90
Foreign Missions	5.00
Money in Treasury	.47
Total	$11.37

Society in Jersey Church.

Mrs. J. D. Palmer, Linwood, N. C., is President. It has a membership of 16. Was organized June 16, 1907.

Society in Denton Church.

Mrs. Thomas Tysinger is President. The society has a membership of 12. Was organized June 30, 1907.

The report was discussed by S. H. Averitt, S. D. Swaim, H. Sheets, and R. S. Green, Jr.

The report was adopted.

The report of the Executive Board was read and adopted:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The board has aided five churches during the past year in the following amounts:

Thomasville, $150.00, Rev. G. P. Harrell, pastor.
Asheboro, $100.00, and Gravel Hill, $50.00, Rev. Henry Sheets, pastor.
Stoner's Grove and Taylor's Grove, $50.00, Rev. Jefferson Lanning, pastor.
All the churches are doing good work, are waking up to their duty, and are steadily growing; and it is hoped that these places will soon become selfsustaining. As proof of the good work done at these places the reader is referred to the statistics in minutes.

Respectfully submitted
R. S. GREEN, Jr.
Chairman.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUG. 21.

The Association was called to order at eight o'clock by the Moderator. Prayer by G. P. Harrill.

The following Committees for the next session were appointed:

State Missions: H. Sheets and W. B. Thompson.
Home Missions: R. S. Green, Jr., P. M. Snider.
Foreign Missions: G. P. Harrill, R. K. Williams.
Periodicals: G. W. Wall, B. R. Cross.
Education: A. Johnson, P. S. Vann.
Orphanage: S. H. Averitt, T. H. Small.
Sunday School: S. D. Swaim, S. A. Hege.
Ministerial Relief: Jeff. Lanning, Ed. Myers.
Temperance: H. Morton, D. H. Hepler.
Obituaries: J. D. Walser, J. D. Newton.
Woman's Work: M. L. Kesler, William Bowers.

The following committee was appointed to name the trustees of Liberty Institute: S. H. Averitt, H. Sheets and G. P. Harrill.

On motion of A. Johnson the regular order of business was suspended to decide the place of meeting for the next session of the Association.

The church at Denton and the church at Liberty both urged the Association to meet with them in 1908.

After a very pleasant and gratifying discussion the Association voted to hold its next session with the church at Denton.

The following is the report on Ministerial Education:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We sincerely regret to see any disposition on the part of our churches to discourage or neglect one of the two primary objects of the organization of the Baptist State Convention, namely: the education of our young men who feel called of God to preach the Gospel of His Son. The convention was never more divinely guided than when it undertook to supply the denomination and the Kingdom with a well-trained ministry. It has never made a more justifiable or a better paying investment of the Lord's money. An educated ministry means an educated people in every department of

the Lord's work. It seems to be a law of divine economy that poor young men shall compose the rank and file of the ministerial forces. But for the great work of this board during these seventy years we would not be able to say, as we are today, that North Carolina preachers stand in the front ranks in the ministry of the word the world over. They are in great demand everywhere, whether at home or in the foreign field. This work of educating young preachers is not done for their own sakes, but for Christ's sake and for the sake of the denomination to which they belong. They belong not to themselves in the same sense that other young men do but to the denomination as a divine heritage. And the denomination is wise if it makes the most of them. As to the field in which they are to labor leave this to Him who said, "Go ye into all the world."

Respectfully submitted,
S. D. SWAIN.

Ministerial Education was discussed by S. F. Conrad.

The pledges for Ministerial Education were taken amounting to $90.50, an increase of $10.50 over last year.

The report on Liberty Institute was read as follows:

LIBERTY INSTITUTE REPORT.

The work that should most interest this Association is the support and building up of our own Liberty Institute; the patronage of Wake Forest, the University for Women, Chowan Baptist Female Institute, Oxford Female Seminary almost wholly depends upon patronage from our Baptist High Schools. Our pastors depend upon them, our Sunday Schools depend upon them, the sancity of our homes depend upon them, the everlasting principles of our faith once delivered to the saints demand that we establish these schools, put them upon a firm basis, and insist that our Baptist parents especially educate their children in our schools.

The report was discussed by P. S. Vann, B. W. Parham and J. M. Burton.

A. Johnson moved to amend the report by appointing a committee of three to confer with the committee from the Piedmont Association to consider accepting Liberty Institute and assuming the responsibility of the school.

Motion carried.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUG. 22.—9:30 O'CLOCK.

Devotional exercises conducted by W. H. Davis.

Report on Minister's Relief was read as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF.

The service already rendered by this board has abundantly demonstrated its right to a prominent place among the other objects of our benevolence. The old adage that what is everybody's business is nobody's business applies with equal force in providing for our aged and infirm, and worn-out preachers. Up to the time of the organization of this board many of us can testify with sad reflections that these old worthies have been badly neglected. But since the work was taken in hand, organized and placed on a systemetic

basis much has been done to supply this greatly needed and much deserved assistance.

The board is now caring for 28 or 30 of these fathers in Israel. This is a pathetic call. Let us take heed.

S. D. SWAIM.

The report was discussed by S. D. Swaim, S. H. Averitt.

Adopted.

A. Johnson introduced the following resolution:

A. JOHNSON'S RESOLUTION.

Resolved, that this association, realizing the enlarging needs of the Liberty Institute, adopt the Institution as one of the objects of its benevolence and the clerk is hereby directed to prepare a column in the financial table of the minutes for contribution from the church and that the committee appointed by the Moderator confer with the Piedmont Association and make such arrangement with regard to the property as the good of the Institution may demand.

The resolution was discussed by A. Johnson, C. M. Wall, H. Morton. G. P. Harrill, B. W. Parham, J. M. Burton, H. Sheets, S. D. Swaim, J. W. Noell.

The resolution was adopted unanimously with one exception.

The report on Sunday Schools was read as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report.

We regard the Sunday School as an efficient arm in the work of the church, and believe that the progress of the church is largely advanced through the labors of a live Sunday School.

We rejoice in the large success which under God has attended this important institution.

JEFF LANNING.

The report was discussed by Jeff Lanning, W. H. Davis.

The report was adopted.

The report on Obituaries was read as follows:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

The committee on Obituaries report that the following brethren have been called from their labors on earth to their rest and reward in heaven during the Associational year:

Elder A. P. Stoker died in his 84th year, Bro. Stoker entered the ministery when a young man in his native county, Stanley, but afterwards moved to Montgomery county where he served a group of churches as pastor and labored at mission points until he moved to Davidson county, near Denton, where he spent the remainder of life in the same work. Full of years and good works the Master called him to his reward.

His wife was Rebecca, daughter of Elder Bennie Carroll, and truly may it be said she proved to be a help-mate indeed. The Lord had called her to rest just a few months before her husband. Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.

Bro. C. W. Davis, a devoted member of Abbotts Creek church,

who spent a useful, gentle and sweet-spirited life in teaching the youths of our churches vocal and instrumental music, came to a peaceful end in the early part of this year and truly can we say his works do follow him.

Bro. Joseph Welborn, deacon of Oak Hill church, was called away in the 68th year of his age. He signified his consciousness before his death of being near the "chilly waters" then peacefully passed over to the land of Spirits.

Bro. Andrew W. Hine, a faithful and devoted member of Wallburg church, died in his 68th year. The end came peacefully and with complete resignation.

These, with twenty others, have been reported through the letters of the association, have been called by the Master from conquest to victory, but their places are filled by others and the work goes on.

"The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

H. MORTON.

The report was adopted without discussion.

The following is the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Liberty Association would place on record its uncompromising advocacy of the cause of prohibition and its high hope that within the next two years the whiskey traffic shall be banished from our State. In the meantime we would pledge our hearty support to the enforcement of our present laws, for the regulation and control and curtailment of the liquor business.

A. JOHNSON.

This report was adopted without discussion.

The Association ordered five hundred copies of the minutes printed and sent to the churches.

C. M. Wall was elected to represent this Association on the State Mission Board.

Tne committee to have the History of Liberty Association printed was continued.

The committee appointed the following

TRUSTEES OF LIBERTY INSTITUTE.

J. W. Noell, *Chairman;* A. Johnson, *Secretary;* C. M. Wall, Z. T. Sharpe, P. M. Snider, G. W. Wall.

The following is the

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

For State Missions	$134.93
For Home Missions	74.15
For Foreign Missions	146.13
For Sunday School Missions	3.05
For Education	71.39

For Ministerial Relief	30.67
For Minute Fund	29.83
Total	$490.15

Disbursements.

For State Missions	$134.93
For Home Missions	74.15
For Foreign Missions	146.13
For Sunday School Missions	3.05
For Education	71.39
For Ministerial Relief	30.67
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S. H. AVERITT, Treasurer.

The fellowing were nominated delegates to the Baptist State Convention: G. P. Harrill and G. W. Wall.

The following were nominoted delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention- J. W. Noell, alternate, G. P. Harrill.

TABLE OF PLEDGES OF 1907-1908.

CHURCHES	STATE MISSIONS	HOME MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS	ORPHANAGE	EDUCATION	MINISTERIAL RELIEF	LIBERTY INSTITUTE	TOTALS
Abbott's Creek	15 00	5 50	12 50	25 00	5 00	4 50	.....	67 50
Asheboro	15 00	5 00	8 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	.....	40 00
Center Cross	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Denton	8 00	4 00	8 00	17 50	3 00	4 00	.....	44 00
Gravel Hill	8 00	4 50	8 50	10 00	2 50	3 00	.....	36 00
Holloway's	20 00	7 00	20 00	25 00	5 00	3 50	.....	80 50
Hurdan	1 50	1 00	1 00	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	6 50
Jackson's Creek	2 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	1 00	.....	9 00
Jersey	25 00	10 00	25 00	25 00	8 00	3 00	.....	96 00
Lexington	60 00	35 00	100 00	100 00	15 00	10 00	.....	320 00
Liberty	5 00	5 00	12 00	10 00	3 00	2 00	.....	37 00
Lick Creek	10 00	4 50	15 00	17 00	3 00	4 00	.....	53 50
Maple Springs	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Marion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Lebanon	2 50	1 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	.....	11 50
New Friendship	10 00	6 00	10 00	25 00	3 00	1 50	.....	55 50
Oak Hill	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	1 00	.....	7 00
Orphanage	52 00	30 00	40 00	60 00	12 00	6 00	.....	200 00
Pine Meeting House	25 00	10 00	25 00	25 00	5 00	5 00	.....	95 00
Reed's Cross Roads	15 00	10 00	25 00	25 00	3 00	3 50	.....	81 00
Rich Fork	12 50	6 00	10 00	11 00	4 00	2 50	.....	46 00
Stoner's Grove	5 50	4 50	5 00	9 00	2 00	2 00	.....	28 00
Summerville	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 25	.....	1 00	.....	8 25
Taylor's Grove	3 50	.....	2 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	.....	11 50
Thomasville	30 00	25 00	40 00	25 00	5 00	3 00	.....	128 00
Wallburg	55 00	30 00	55 00	60 00	7 00	6 00	.....	213 00
TOTALS	387 50	205 00	427 00	463 75	90 50	70 50	.....	1674 75

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers	Number Schools	Total.	Number of Schools.	No. Volumes in Library	Quarterly's and papers Taken	Months Kept Open	Average Attendance.	No. Baptisms from School.	School Expenses
Abbott's Creek	N. R. Teague, Kernersville	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	5	70	75			75	12	33		6 00
Asheboro												80
Center Cross	Jno. Cole, Center Grove		3	14	17							40 50
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton	W. F. Tysinger, Denton	8	125	133		100	133	12	62	7	4 00
Gravel Hill	W. D. Loflin, Riley's Store	Mrs. Berta Sheets, Riley'sStore	5	49	54			56	12	35	2	5 80
Holloways	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill	6	75	81	3	75	70	12	35	10	
Hulda												
Jackson's Creek												13 45
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	J. T. Disher, Linwood	8	76	84			102	12			107 11
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	Jas. Smith, Lexington	21	290	311	2		468	12	213	45	2 10
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville, R. 4	E. Hefler, Hannersville	7	45	52		100	50		25		4 60
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill	J. A. Rush, Silver Hill	10	90	100			116	6			
Maple Springs	J. E. Harper, Quinine		2	22	24			20		20		
Marion												1 00
Mt. Lebanon	Lee Luck, Pisgah	C. W. Shaw, Stricely	5	35	40			35	6	25		6 00
New Friendship	Branson Charles W.-Salem	Charlie Shoaf, Winston-Salem	5	50	55			40	6	40	1	
Oak Hill												
Orphanage	S. H. Averitt, Thomasville	Conley Phyfer, Thomasville	12					350	12	302	257	34 51
Pine Meeting House	R. R. Williams, Linwood, R. 1	L. E. Pickard, Linwood, R. 1.	14	162	176	2		120	12	90		11 79
Reed's Cross Roads	B. O. Myers, Lexington, R. 3.	A. B. Craver, Lexington, R. 3	8	90	98		75	95	12	55		8 00
Rich Fork	Wm. Bowers, Lake	Oscar Bowers, Lake	7	60	67			65	12	50		
Stone's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood, R. 2.	J. D. Lookabille, Linwood R. 2.	9	75	84			73	12	53	16	14 00
Summerville												
Taylor's Grove	A. H. Michael, Chandlers	H. J. Bailey, Chandlers	6	35	41			53	6	26		2 53
Thomasville	A. F. Sams, Thomasville	Frank Huett, Thomasville	9	125	134			70	12	75		45 63
Wallburg	P. S. Vann, Wallburg	R. L. Wall, Wallburg	8	128	136			200	12	74	9	30 63
Totals			158	1616	1772			2191			147	550 46

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1907.

CHURCHES	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	ADDED				LOST				Gain	Lost	Males	Females	Total Membership
		Baptisms	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Totals	Dism'd by Letter	Excluded	Deaths	Totals					
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	1	5		6	7	1	4	12		6	53	94	14 7
Asheboro	C. L. Holton, Asheboro		2		2	2			2			9	6	15
Center Cross	John Cole, Sea Grove											2	8	10
Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	7			7	2		1	3	4		51	49	100
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	3			3		1	1	2	1		13	29	42
Holloways	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	15			15			2	2	13		73	143	216
Hulda														
Jackson's Creek	J. T. Pierce, Cox							2	2		2	29	64	93
Jersey	G. W. Palmer, Linwood	11	3	2	16	4	3	3	10	6		82	99	181
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	36	21	2	59	12	1		13	46		102	157	259
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville R. 4					6	6	1	13		13	56	97	153
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill	19	2		21	2		1	3	18		51	69	120
Maple Springs								3	3		3	2	5	7
Marion														
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welsh, Pisgah					1		2	1		1	10	26	36
New Friendship	S. A. Hege, Salem	1			1				2		1	52	83	135
Oak Hill	M. F. Underwood,											10	12	22
Orphanage	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	57	10		67	18	2		20	47		140	162	302
Pine Meeting House	R. K. Williams, Linwood		1	1	2	2	6	1	9		7	64	115	179
Reed's Cross Roads	A. C. Myers, Lexington		3		3	1			1	2		64	98	164
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	11	8	3	22	4	1		5	17		34	77	111
Stone's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood, R. 2	16	1		17					17		31	42	73
Summerville														
Taylor's Grove	C. L. Bailey, Chanlers	1	1		2	2		2	4		2	7	12	19
Thomasville	J. T. Valentine, Thomasville	2	8		10					10		27	47	74
Wallburg	J. E. Metzinger, Wallburg	9	3		11			1	1	10		39	63	102

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES	Pastors Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Churches	Ministerial Education	Old Minister's Relief	Other Objects	Minute Fund	TOTALS
Abbott's Creek	Thomas Carrick, High Point	150 00		10 00	6 00	7 50	15 00	5 00	12 00	34 50	5 00	5 00	4 00			249 00
Asheboro	H. Sheets, Lexington	100 00		6 53			17 82	4 37	5 53	10 75		1 29		260 00		406 29
Center Cross	Lee W. Harris, Capilsie	18 00			80		50	50	50	1 50		25	75			22 80
Denton	Jeff Lanning, Denton	150 00		20 00	40 50		7 08	4 11	7 29	17 27	1 40	2 00	3 50	40 80		293 43
Gravel Hill	H. Sheets, Lexington	65 00	40 00		4 00		10 56	4 70	12 00	10 25		1 30	2 00	8 00		157 81
Holloways	S. D. Swain, Lexington	150 00		3 00	5 50		17 00	6 65	20 00	25 06		5 40	4 00	20 50	75	261 93
Hulda																
Jackson's Creek	L. G. Lewis, Thomasville	30 00					77	1 14	1 36	2 45						35 72
Jersey	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150 00		40 00			25 00	7 00	20 00	20 00	8 00		3 00		1 65	274 65
Lexington		1200 00	53 70	233 82	107 11		65 85	50 00	216 57	167 31		15 00	5 00	125 85	1 10	2240 21
Liberty	H. Morton, Thomasville	75 00	104 00		2 10		5 00	5 00	12 00	12 50		3 00	2 00	26 15		246 75
Lick Creek	H. Sheets, Lexington	100 00		4 00	4 60		12 72	4 00	12 75	9 49		3 00	1 70	21 00	1 80	173 22
Maple Springs	G. W. Henderson, Blaine															
Marion																
Mt. Lebanon					1 00		2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00				4 78		9 75
New Friendship				540 00	6 00		11 00	6 00	10 00	36 00		3 00	1 50			77 90
Oak Hill							1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00					25	4 25
Orphanage	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville	159 53					62 24	30 00	57 70	100 00		25 00	6 32	77 66	2 00	518 45
Pine Meeting House	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150 00					20 00	8 00	28 71	31 00		5 00	4 00		2 27	248 98
Reed's Cross Roads	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150 00	40 00		11 79		15 00	10 00	25 00	30 00		4 00	4 00		2 81	289 79
Rich Fork	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville	80 00		30 00	8 00		11 90	9 35	9 25	10 00		3 00	2 25		1 00	164 75
Stone's Grove	Jeff Lanning, Denton	78 00			14 00		5 00	4 00	4 25	8 50		1 50	1 50	20 50	1 00	134 25
Summerville																
Taylor's Grove	Jeff Lanning, Denton	85 00	20 00		2 53		3 50		2 00	4 00		50	1 00			124 53
Thomasville	G. P. Harrill, Thomasville	175 00	49 50	87 52	45 63		49 79	59 19	76 37	51 54	5 66	5 67	4 00	239 85	2 00	851 72
Wallburg	H. Sheets, Lexington	136 00			30 63		73 81	30 00	50 00	91 71		7 00	5 00	38 00	1 86	360 30
Totals		3261 53	377 20	440 27	294 49	7 50	432 54	252 01	586 28	676 83	20 06	90 91	55 52	893 09	18 49	7146 48

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PLACE, TIME, AND PREACHER OF INTRODUCTORY SERMON FOR THE SESSION AUGUST 1909

The next session will be held with the Liberty church Thursday after the third Sunday in August, 1909. Elder Joseph T. Watts to preach the sermon; Elder T. S. Crutchfield, Alternate.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST 1908.

W. S. Adderton . . . . . Denton, N. C.
Lee Carrick . . . . . Linwood, N. C.
T. S. Crutchfield . . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler . . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
M. J. Leach . . . . . Lassiter, N. C.
H. Morton . . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
J. D. Newton . . . . . Thomasville, N. C.
Henry Sheets . . . . . Lexington, N. C.
S. D. Swaim . . . . . Lexington, N. C.
Joseph T. Watts . . . . . Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

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Proceedings.

Denton, N. C.,
August 18, 1908.

The seventy-fifth annual session of the Liberty Baptist Association met in the meeting house of the Denton Baptist church on August 18, 1908. At 11:50 o'clock, in the morning the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. M. L. Kesler. His text was Acts 20:35.

Intermission for dinner one and one-half hours.

At 2:30 o'clock the Moderator called the Association to order. Prayer was offered by Henry Sheets.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the letters from the churches composing the Association. The motion was lost.

The Moderator appointed the following committee on order of business for the session: A. Johnson, W. B. Thompson, and C. H. Teague.

S. H. Averitt and R. S. Green, Jr., were appointed to read the letters from the churches to the Association.

The delegates from the churches were as follows:

Abbotts Creek—C. H. Teague, Lee Roy Hayworth.

Asheboro—S. R. Styers.

Center Cross—

Center Hill—A. V. Miller, E. D. Jarrett.

Denton—Robt. Tysinger, J. A. Snider, W. B. Russell.
Gravel Hill—J. C. Loftin, T. H. Davis, W. A. Russell.
Holloways—D. H. Cross, J. F. Carrick.
Huldah—
Jackson's Creek—
Jersey—Z. T. Sharpe, W. C. Roach, J. D. Palmer.
Lexington—G. W. Miller, Jas. Smith, Robt. Miller.
Liberty—H. P. May, E. L. Hepler.
Lick Creek—W. A. Reid, P. M. Snider, J. E. Skeen.
Maple Springs—
Marion—
Mt. Lebanon—M. J. Leach.
New Friendship—A. P. Snider, H. F. Motsinger, S. A. Hege.
Oak Hill—
Orphanage—S. H. Averitt, J. F. Clinard.
Piney Baptist—Gray Sowers, L. F. Barnes, A. R. Williams.
Reeds Cross Roads—B. O. Myers, J. W. Cole.
Rich Fork—
Stoner's Grove—D. D. Davis, Lee Roach, O. L. Stoner, J. D. Lookabill, L. C. Lomax, B. F. Roach.
Summerville—Edw. Bean, C. B. Wall, Jason Buie.
Taylor's Grove—Ira Bailey, A. H. Michael.
Thomasville—A. Johnson, R. S. Green, Jr., J. T. Valentine.
Wallburg—E. E. Jenkins, C. M. Wall, E. O. Wall.

The following officers of the Association were elected: J. W. Noell, Moderator, Lexington, N. C.
P. S. Vann, Clerk, Lexington, N. C.
S. H. Averitt, Treasurer, Thomasville, N. C.

The Moderator appointed Thos. Carrick, Henry Sheets and H. Morton, committee on credentials.

The committee on order of business reported as follows: Tuesday 3:30 p. m., Orphanage. Periodicals 4:30 P. M., 8:30 P. M. Education.

Wednesday: Devotional Exercises 9:45 A. M.; Liberty-Piedmont Institute 10:00 A. M.; State Missions 11:00 A. M.; Foreign Missions 2:30 P. M.; Woman's Work 3:30 P. M.

The following visiting brethren were welcomed: J. F. Hodge, of Stanly Association, Pres. W. L. Poteat, Wake Forest College, O. A. Keller, Beulah Association.

R. L. Wall and O. L. Stoner were appointed finance committee.

The committee on credentials recommended the receiving of Center Hill church into the Association. The Association gladly received this newly constituted church as a member of its body.

It was ordered to discuss our Orphanage. The report was to be read on the following day.

The Orphanage was discussed by: S. H. Averitt, Thomas Carrick, M. L. Kesler, and Archibald Johnson.

It was moved and carried to adjourn and discuss Periodicals for thirty minutes to-night.

Prayer by J. T. Watts.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at eight o'clock P. M. Prayer by T. S. Crutchfield.

Archibald Johnson read

THE REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Biblical Recorder is essential to the proper develment of North Carolina Baptists. We may do without it, but we can not do so well. It is the bond that binds us to the work, and to each other. It promotes the general harmony and fills us with enthusiasm. For almost three quarters of a century the Recorder has stood on the watch tower and never yet sounded a false note. We urge upon our entire membership the vital importance of reading our great organ which is under superb management and was never more efficient than it is to-day.

We also commend Charity and Children and our mission journals published in Atlanta and Richmond.

The report was discussed by: O. L. Keller, A. Johnson, H. Sheets, S. H. Averitt, and S. D. Swaim.

The report was adopted.

Archibald Johnson read

THE REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We learn with great pleasure of the bright prospects before our institutions of learning in North Carolina. Wake Forest College was never more efficient, or worthier of the favor and patronage of our people. The Baptist University for women is more than fulfilling the biggest expectations of its friends, and it is rapidly widening and deepening its influence. We commend it unreservedly to our people as one of the best and most thorough schools in all the Southland.

We hear with gratification also of the excellent condition of the other schools for women that are doing so much for the uplift of our North Carolina womanhood.

But great as are the claims of our colleges upon us our chief interest centers about our High Schools throughout the State. These schools are feeders for the colleges and the prosperity of the latter depends upon the development of the former.

A determined purpose on the part of the State to put our High Schools out of business must be apparent to all. State High Schools are being established in close competition with these denominational institutions that have been built with so great sacrifice; and in some cases they have overwhelmed our academies and taken the field for themselves.

As a denomination we are not yet ready to surrender to the State. Our own schools furnish what a state school can never offer, namely, the Baptist spirit, and this to loyal Baptists is beyond price. Not all our schools will survive the onslaught, but a few of them will and around these permanent institutions our interest and sympathy must gather. The Liberty-Piedmont Institute can be and must be made one of these permanent schools. It has a distinct field, a noble location and a loyal constituency. We must rally to its standard and place it on a solid basis. Once more we are face to face with the time worn problem: Shall the denomination or the State educate our children Let us give the right answer to that question here and now.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
P. S. VANN.

Pres. W. L. Poteat discussed this report.

Prayer by Thomas Carrick.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1908.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at ten o'clock in the morning.

Prayer was offered by H. Morton.

The minutes were read and approved.

It was moved and carried to appoint a committee to draw up recommendations in regard to the four churches of our Association, which have not reported to the body within several years.

Henry Sheets, Thomas Carrick and Archibald Johnson were appointed on this committee to report at this session.

Our Liberty-Piedmont Institute was discussed by: Archibald Johnson, H. W. Early, M. L. Kesler, J. T. Watts, Thomas Carrick, and S. D. Swaim.

Pledges were taken for Liberty-Piedmont Institute and the following churches took stock as follows:

Lexington $100, Orphanage $100, Thomasville $100 Wallburg, $200, Jersey $100.

The amount that each church took is to be paid within the next four years, paying $25.00 per year, until the share is paid. This amount is to bear 6 per cent. interest, payable in tuition at Liberty-Piedmont Institute.

The report on education was adopted.

The following committees were appointed to report at this session:

Place and preacher: G. W. Miller, S. H. Averitt and C. H. Teague.

To nominate the executive board: Henry Sheets, J. T. Watts and J. W. Cole.

To nominate trustees of Liberty-Piedmont Institute: S. D. Swaim, P. S. Vann and H. Morton.

The following committees were appointed to report at our next session.

State Missions—Thomas Carrick, C. M. Wall.
Home Missions—T. S. Crutchfield, J. T. Valentine.
Foreign Missions—S. D. Swaim, Ed. Myers.
Periodicals—M. L. Kesler, Wm. Bowers.
Education—H. W. Early, M. V. Williams.
Orphanage—Henry Sheets, O. L. Stoner.
Sunday Schools—J. T. Watts, P. M. Snider.
Ministerial Relief—A Johnson, R. S. Green.
Temperance—G. W. Wall, J. D. Newton.
Obituaries—Jas. Smith, S. L. Owen.
Woman's Work—S. H. Averitt, S. A. Hege.
Ministerial Education—G. F. Hankins, Cleveland Myers.

The committee on the printing of The History of Liberty Association reported.

It was moved and carried that the committee on the sale of the History apportion out the copies to the different pastors of the Association sufficient to pay off the debt, and

that the pastors sell these books and report to the committee as soon as possible.

The committee on the programme for this session reported as follows:

Wednesday 8:00 o'clock P. M., Schools, Thursday 9:45 A. M., Devotional Exercises; 10:00 A. M., Home Missions; 11:30 A. M., Obituaries; 12 M., Miscellaneous business.

Prayer by M. L. Kesler.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AUGUST, 19.

Called to order by the Moderator, at 2:30 o'clock. Prayer by Thomas Carrick.

The committee on time and place reported that they were unable to report the place of the next meeting, because so many churches were calling for the Association to meet with them.

The body then discussed the question as to where the next session should convene.

The Association voted to hold its next session with Liberty church. Abbotts Creek and Lexington made earnest appeals for the Association to meet with them.

Place of meeting, Liberty church.

Time of meeting, Thursday after the third Sunday in August.

To preach the introductory sermon, J. T. Watts; Alternate, T. S. Crutchfield.

The Association, after due discussion as to time of meeting, voted to change the time of meeting from Tuesday to Thursday.

J. T. Watts read

THE REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS:

The last Convention year was one of great financial stringency, due to the panic which swept the country. This condition made it impossible for us to reach the high standard which was set up at Richmond in 1907. Great wisdom was exercised on the part of our Board in the making of appropriations in order that the work might be carried on without incurring a large debt. Great faith in God and the people was exercised and the faith was rewarded, for on the last day of the Convention year, April 30th, $135,000 was received, and that after 5 p. m. The year was closed without a deficit, $402,328 having been received.

During the year 2,174 persons were received by confession of faith and baptism. According to the annual report of the Board "Such results as these in the midst of superstition and heathen idolatry ought to make all our hearts glad and beget within us a desire and purpose to do far more than ever in the past for winning souls."

During the year 28 new missionaries were appointed and sent out, 11 old missionaries on furlough, were returned to their fields.

There are now 128 schools connected with our missions and 3,194 scholars in attendance. Who can estimate the transforming power of the Christian schools? It can easily be seen that a large proportion of the converts of the future will come from these schools.

North Carolina stands fourth in the list of states in contributions to foreign missions, having given a total of $35,540.97 for the year 1907-08, or a little more than 17 cents per member. If North Carolina Baptists would give 25 cents per member, we would contribute during the present year $51,261.50. Would this be an impossibility?

Our Corresponding Secretary made a trip during the last Convention year to all our fields. This trip of personal inspection and investigation has furnished him with fuller knowledge and stronger convictions as to the needs. The results of this visit will be seen in the increased work and contributions during the year 1908-09.

One of the strongest factors of our work for foreign missions is the Educational Department, in charge of Dr. T. B. Ray. Missionary Classes to the number of 517 with a membership of 5,720 have been registered in the Secretary's office. As the people come to know more about missions they will give more liberally to the spread of the gospel and for this the Educational Department stands. With Drs. Willingham, Porter, Smith and Ray, and efficient office assistants, we are equipped with the leadership of men burning with holy zeal, founded upon the widest intelligence of the problem of world-wide evangelization.

The Foreign Mission Journal has been enlarged and improved and should be in every Baptist home. Twenty-five cents per annum will place it there.

We have only fairly begun our efforts to evangelize the world. We should make a substantial advance in our gifts to this cause every year. The watchword of every

Christian should be, "Let us go forward."

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. T. WATTS.

J. T. Watts read

THE REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK:

The women in many of our Associations have been slow to undertake special work among themselves, yet this work has been steadily making its way until the Association without an active organziation is the exception. The larger organization is known as the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. Each state has its Woman's Missionary Union, also auxiliary to its State Convention. The work in the state operates through three departments, the Woman's Missionary Society, the Young Ladies Auxiliary and the Sunbeam Society.

The plan now is that the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union be separated by time and place from the meeting of the Baptist State Convention. The last meeting was held at Gastonia March 24-26, 1908. Their principal object is not to raise money, yet $21,546.66 was reported at that meeting. Of this amount $2,413.28 was contributed by the Young Ladies' Auxiliary and the Sunbeams. They have planned to raise for next year, in round numbers, $27,000.00. This amount is distributed among the following objects. Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions. The Margaret Home for Missionaries and children at Greenville, S. C., and the Training School at Louisville Ky., for the training of young women who are to do missionary work at home and on foreign fields.

The great work done by our women is not to be seen in the sums of money raised, but in the splendid spirit of sympathy and enthusiasm for all missionary effort developed in our churches.

When our women take hold of this work a new interest springs up both in our homes and in our churches. They do not fail to contrive ways and means for gathering up the contributions. Missionary information is disseminated, the church is called to prayer for weeks together, and the great wide world of need and opportunity is laid upon the hearts of young and old alike.

It is fitting that women do this. They have a patience and genius for looking after small collections; a faith in

the unseen, and sympathy for suffering and need beyond themselves, unknown to most business men. They are willing to fling the coin out and hear no ringing of returns, satisfied with the nobler promptings of the heart rather than the reasonings of the head.

Your committee urge that the pastors and the men in our churches encourage and assist the women in organizing missionary societies in every church in this Association, and that these societies be formed even though they are small.

We would like to make special mention of several faithful women who have wrought so well that they have become an inspiration, but this would be unfair for there are others unknown to us who are equally worthy. But we do wish as an Association to place our warmest approval upon the noble work they are doing.

Respectfully submitted,
M. L. KESLER, for Committee.

The report on Foreign Missions and the report on Woman's Work, were discussed together by J. T. Watts.

Pledges were taken for Foreign Missions amounting to $446.25.

It was moved and carried to instruct the clerk to record the pledges for this year the same as they were for last year, in the absence of the delegates.

It was moved and carried to discuss the subjects of State Missions and Home Missions on to-morrow at 10:00 o'clock A. M.

S. H. Averitt read

THE REPORT ON OUR ORPHANAGE.

The past year has been in many respects the best in the history of the Institution. 375 children have been enrolled with an average of 360 cared for. We have had very little sickness and only one death. Cleanliness, wholesome food and regular habits have had much to do with the splendid health record.

The Noah Richardson Library and the new Infirmary (Woman's Building) which have been erected during the year add much to the general appearance of the grounds as well as to the actual value of the plant. Charity and Children reached the 14000 mark and turned into the Treasury a net profit of $1859.75. The Shoe Shop and Planing Mill have also had a good year. The farm, in addition to making a handsome profit ($1242.49) has been greatly im-

proved and the growing crops promise a good yield. While the Printing Office, Shoe Shop, Machine Shop and Farm help in a financial way, the training given to the boys in these departments is the real consideration and we must ever look to the Baptists of North Carolina for our support. The number of children cared for will no doubt be greater during the coming year than ever before and our expenses will necessarily be greater. In order to meet this extra expense we recommend the following:

1st—That every Sunday School take a monthly collection for the Orphanage.

2nd—That the Superintendents spare no reasonable effort to have a club of Charity and Children placed in every Sunday School in the Liberty Association.

3rd—That Thanksgiving Day be made Orphanage Day in all our churches.

S. H. AVERETT, Committee.

H. Morton read

THE REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Just one year ago this Association went on record as true advocates of prohibition, but hardly did we anticipate such a grand victory so soon as was gained on May the 26th when a majority of over 44,000 of the best people in the State have settled for all time that the making and selling intoxicating drink shall be driven out of our State, but we cannot hope but what desperate efforts will be made to make the law ineffective and violators will be found on every hand, hence it behooves every lover of law, home, church and humanity to not only abide by the law himself, but to uphold the arm of the law and to see that law and good order is maintained in every community as far as in him lies.

Let every one of us like Gideon's true men stand in his place, and heed the admonition of Paul. "Quit you like men, be strong."

If we will do our duty in this great matter soon the gainsayer will be put to silence and it can no more be said that prohibtion does not prohibit. Furthermore let it be remembered that we before being allowed to cast our vote in any election that we were required to take a solemn oath that we would support the laws and constitution of the State.

Can any member of the church worthy of the name go

on with impunity and wink at crime and instead of aiding in support of law give his consent to violation. God forbid, if the religious forces of the State fail to uphold the law, how can we hope for moral reform.

H. MORTON.

The report was discussed by H. Morton. The report was adopted.

S. H. Averitt, Treasurer of the Association, submitted the following:

TREASURERS REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

State Missions	$ 139.41
Foreign Missions	137.68
Home Missions	101.38
Education	73.70
Minute Fund	30.50
Aged Ministers' Relief	29.81
Louisville Training School	11.01
Total	$523.49

DISBURSEMENTS.

State Missions	$ 139.41
Foreign Missions	137.68
Home Missions	101.38
Education	73.70
Minute Fund	30.50
Aged Ministers, Relief	29.81
Louisville Training School	11.01
Total	$523.49

S. H. AVERETT, Treasurer.

Henry Sheets and Thomas Carrick presented the following report:

Your committee in regard to the following churches Marion, Maple Springs, Center Cross, because of continued failure to represent themselves in our body, be and are hereby dropped from the list of churches in our body with this provision that they or either of them be reinstated if reported next year.

HENRY SHEETS,
THOMAS CARRICK.

This resolution was discussed by: J. T. Watts, Henry
The resolution was adopted.
Adjourned.
Sheets, R. S. Green, Jr.
Prayer by J. T. Watts.

THURSDAY A. M., AUGUST 20, 1908.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 10:00 o'clock in the morning. Prayer was offered by J. W. Noell.

Henry Sheets read the following:

We recommend as the Executive Board for the ensuing year the following brethren:

P. S. Vann, R. S. Green, C. M. Wall, R. K. Williams, GALLEY FOUR
Archibald Johnson, J. W. Noell, T. S. Crutchfield, Henry Sheets, Joseph T. Watts.

The report was adopted. ....

The committee to nominate Trustees for Liberty-Piedmont Institute reported as follows:

We recommend that the old Board be appointed as follows, J. W. Noell, Chairman; A. Johnson, Secretary; C. M. Wall, Z. T. Sharpe, P. M. Snider, and G. W. Wall.

The report was adopted.

T. S. Crutchfield read the

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The progress which we have made in our denominational work has not, and we judge will not, diminish the need for ministerial education. God continues to call poor young men to preach His word, and we believe He calls to the churches to help these young men to secure the needed education.

We have the best of facilities for this at Wake Forest College and at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

There were 75 ministerial students at W. F. C. last year, 60 of whom were aided by the Board and there were 30 men from North Carolina in the Seminary, 20 of whom received help from the Students Aid Fund there. Already 25 have asked for help at W. F. next year. The Board of Education at W. F. C. was made the agent of the Aid Fund at the Seminary by an action of the B. S. Convention in session at Wilmington last year, so the two funds are to us

now practically one. Our State did not contribute as much to the fund at the Seminary last year as it took to help our men who received aid from the Aid Fund. It will take some six thousand dollars to help the same number at W. F. C. that received aid there last year. This calls for increased contribution to this object on the part of North Carolina Baptists. We recommend an increase in the contribution of the churches in our Association to this object.

T. S. CRUTCHFIELD.

S. D. Swaim read

THE REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

According to last year's statistics we had 2122 Sunday school pupils in 20 churches, six churches reporting no school at all. This sounds well to Baptist ears. But when we examine into the work being done in the schools we realize that we have not yet ascended the ladder of Sunday school success very far. In other words great emphasis has been laid upon numerical strength while too little attention has been paid to the internal development of our schools. It is one thing to have a mass meeting; it is quite another thing to have a well regulated, well graded, well developed, well taught Sunday school.

The Sunday school is a department of the church; distinctively it is the teaching department of the church, in which old and young alike are afforded an opportunity and an inspiration to gain a systematic knowledge of the scriptures. North Carolina has produced some of the greatest Sunday school specialists in America. These men have given an impetus to Sunday school work which has placed us at the head of the Sunday school procession. There is danger lest we should gloat over our standing and that we should feel complacent over our present attainments. We must awake to the more difficult work of building the proper class rooms, furnishing modern equipment, training our teachers and accomplishing the real work of teaching.

We are happy to note the appointment of Bro. Middleton as Sunday school Secretary of North Carolina. Our churches should keep in touch with him and secure his services for Institutes and Conventions whenever possible. Bro. Joseph T. Watts who was formerly Sunday school Secretary for Ky., has agreed to act as Secretary for Liberty Association, under the State S. S. committee and thus lend a help-

ing hand to the S. S. work in this Association whenever possible.

We recommend the use of our S. S. Convention helps published at Nashville. We also commend the Biblical Recorder for its active support of the S. S. work. We feel that the Recorder is doing a work of incalculable value in presenting such issues as that of last week. The weekly treatment of the S. S. lessons is most excellent.

Submitted by Committee.

This report was discussed by: Joseph T. Watts.

The report was adopted.

Henry Sheets read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Brethren of Liberty Association:

Every phase of the Lord's work, as fostered by our State Convention, should appeal to our hearts. State missions, foreign missions, our orphanage work, the caring for worn out and indigent ministers, the better education of our young men and women are all before us for careful consideration. But what relation does State missions sustain to each and all these objects? It is easily perceived that just in proportion as we advance in the work of State missions, every other object is enlarged and strengthened.

Why are we as a denomination doing so much more to day for all objects than we did ten, twenty or thirty years ago? The whole story is told when we recount the arduous toils, wise planning and self-sacrificing spirit of the brethren composing our board; led by our overworked Secretaries, who have with careful eyes guarded well every interest of the denomination.

All the objects of our convention are very important in their place and we need to foster them all, but in the nature of the case, State missions stands out before them all, going before, blazing the way and laying the foundation, by preaching in school-houses, under brush harbors, establishing Sunday schools and ultimately constituting churches, which, in turn become feeders to the board, which aided them, when too too feeble to stand alone.

In pushing State missions, we are carrying out what was commanded the Apostles, to begin at Jerusalem, going to the uttermost parts of the earth.

The urgent demands upon our board, which cannot be

met for the want of funds, suggests a larger liberality on the part of our churches.

HENRY SHEETS,
W. B. THOMPSON.

R. S. Green read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The report of the corresponding secretary of the Home Mission Board to the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention is a very encouraging statement of the progress of Home Missions. The report shows 961 workers on the field, with 22.404 baptisms for the year, and 337 new churches constituted, and 338 church houses built and improved. And even with the financial panic upon us there was an increase of $33,501.56 in the total receipts of the Board over that of the preceding year.

The conclusion to that report is so encouraging that we feel constrained to incorporate it as a part of our report to the Association. It is as follows: "The years work has been glorious in achievements. More houses of worship have been erected through the Board's help than during any previous year. The labors of our missionaries and evangelists have resulted in a larger number of conversions and baptisms than ever before. The growth of our mission churches in spirituality, liberality and aggressive work has been most gratifying. There is manifest everywhere a growing sense of unity in all denominational activity. Our people are more than ever sensible of their oneness and alive to the momentous importance of seizing the opportunities which confront us in the South. The necessity of planting and training at home, if we would make conquest abroad, is a growing conviction with thinking people everywhere. It is a matter for congratulation and thanksgiving that the function of the Home Mission Board, as a great constructive, unifying, and developing agency of Southern Baptist is more fully appre ciated than ever before. Our people are satisfied to tithe mint and cummin and anise, while the weightier matters of the law are neglected. Mere quibbling about methods is a thing of the past. With a face forward and outward, with a mighty host of well-nigh two million Baptists in the South, increasing marvelously in numbers, wealth, and intelligence, every consideration of fidelity to our principles and

loyalty to our Lord must move us to make this Southland a great Baptist empire."

What we have done, however, is small in comparison with the great need still lying out before us. Our rapidly growing towns and cities, and the vast number of foreigners which are beginning to pour in upon us, and are likely to continue to do in increasing numbers, are bringing about new conditions in the South. It is conceded that the cities rule the nation. In some Northern cities, the foreigneres rule the city. This may be true in the South. Hence the importance of the foreigners being Christianized before they are naturalized. If this is done, it will be done largely through Home Missions. And, if ever done, it must be done as the foreigners come and as the cities grow. For if we wait till the forces of evil are thoroughly entrenched, as they are in many of the cities of the North, the task will be hopeless.

And the work among our own native born people, especially in the mountain section, is just as important to-day as ever.

The prospect of the early opening of the Panama Canal is creating an urgent need in the Gulf section, as well as in Panama, Cuba, and the Isle of Pines.

As we view the whole situation, we feel constrained to urge a great forward movement in Home Missions.

R. S. GREEN,
P. M. SNIDER.
Committee.

State Missions was discussed by Henry Sheets.

Pledges were taken for State Missions amounting to $408.00, an increase of $20.50 over last year. The pledges at the Association in 1907 amounted to $387.50.

Home Missions was discussed by T. S. Crutchfield.

Pledges were taken on Home Missions which amounted to $215.00, an increase of $10.00 over last year.

The pledges at the Association in 1907 amounted to $205.00. The reports were adopted.

Joseph T. Watts was elected to represent this Association on the State Board of Missions.

Henry Sheets read the

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The Liberty Association stands for this work, and as our churches have hitherto contributed to this special depart-

ment of our denominational work in the State, we pledge ourselves to continue the same.

We recommend that our churches give one Sunday at least to this work.

HENRY SHEETS.

The report was adopted.

Joseph T. Watts offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved: That the thanks of the body be expressed to the Denton church and people, especially the good women, for their kind hospitality shown toward us during the Association. They have entertained the members and visitors in royal style, and it has been a pleasure to us all to be in their homes. JOS. T. WATTS.

J. W. Noell, S. H. Averitt, P. S. Vann were elected delegates to the State Baptist Convention.

Joseph T. Watts, alternate Archibald Johnson, were elected to represent our body in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Moved and carried to pay the Clerk ten dollars for his services and publish as many copies of the Minutes as the Minute Fund would pay for.

R. L. Wall read the

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Association adjourned to meet again with Liberty church on Thursday after the third Sunday in August 1909.

This session of the Association was in every way encouraging. The pledges on all objects were increased, harmony and brotherly love prevailed, and an increased love for the work was manifest.

SOCIETIES IN LEXINGTON CHURCH.

The Society has a membership of 35. Mrs. S. D. Swaim, Lexington, N. C., is President.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions	$27.25
Home Missions	20.35
State Missions	15.00
Total for Missions	$62.60

Carpet Fund 27.94

Total given $90.54

SUNBEAMS (LEXINGTON.)

Number of members—15.
Miss Louise Turnley is President.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions 70
Home Missions 5.06

Total given $5.76

SOCIETIES IN THOMASVILLE CHURCH.

The Society has a membership of 23, Miss Cora Morton, Thomasville, N. C., is President.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions $41.70
Home Missions 60.55
State Missions 49.10

Total for Missions 151.35
Total for Missions 152.35
AmountAmount in Treasury 3.40

Total given $154.75

SUNBEAMS (THOMASVILLE.)

Number of members 25.
Miss Kate Johnson, Thomasville, is President.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions . . . . . $ 6.85
Home Missions 31.11
State Missions 2.27

Total for Missions $40.23
Orphanage in kind 3.00
Amount in Treasury 1.11
Total given $44.34

SOCIETIES IN WALLBURG CHURCH.

The Society has a membership of 10.
Mrs. C. M. Wall, Wallburg, N. C., is President.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions	$19.06
Home Missions	35.70
State Missions	26.62
Total for Missions	$81.38
Orphanage Woman's Building	18.75
Total given	$100.13

SUNBEAMS (WALLBURG.)

Miss Ida Wall, is President.
Number of members—46.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions	$ 5.59
Home Missions	9.04
State Missions	5.37
Total for Missions	$20.00

SOCIETY IN JERSEY CHURCH.

The Society has a membership of 16.
Mrs. D. E. Webb, Linwood, N. C., is President.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions	$ 7.64
Home Missions	4.23
State Missions	4.35
Total for Missions	$16.22
Orphanage Woman's Building	13.10
Building and Repairing Church	173.73
Other objects	.41
Total given	$203.46

SOCIETY IN DENTON CHURCH.

The Society has a membership of 14.
Mrs. Thomas Tysinger, Denton, N. C., is President.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Foreign Missions	$ 5.00
Home Missions	2.20
State Missions	3.40
Total for Missions	$10.60

Orphanage Woman's Building	2.53
Pastor's Salary	8.00
Cleaning church	1.25
Total given	$22.38

Grand total given through the Woman's Missionary Societies and Sunbeam Bands $641.36

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. P. S. VANN,
Associational Vice-President.

CHURCHES	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Education	Ministerial Relief	Liberty Institute	Totals
Abbotts Creek	15.00	5.50	13.50	25.00	5.00	4.50	....	68.50
Asheboro	15.00	5.00	8.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	....	40.00
Center Cross	1.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	2.50
Center Hill	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	1.50	1.00	....	20.50
Denton	9.00	5.00	9.00	18.50	4.00	3.00	....	48.50
Gravel Hill	8.00	4.50	8.50	10.00	3.00	3.00	....	37.00
Holloways	20.00	7.00	20.00	20.00	3.50	3.50	....	75.50
Huldah	1.50	1.00	1.00	2.00	....	1.00	....	6.50
Jackson's Creek	2.00	....	....	6.00	....	1.00	....	9.00
Jersey	20.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	4.00	....	80.00
Lexington	65.00	40.00	100.00	105.00	15.00	10.00	....	335.00
Liberty	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	....	34.00
Lick Creek	12.00	5.00	16.00	20.00	4.00	3.00	....	60.00
Maple Springs	1.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	1.50
Marion	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mount Lebanon	2.50	1.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	....	11.50
New Friendship	10.00	6.00	11.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	....	52.00
Oak Hill	2.00	....	....	2.00	2.00	1.00	....	7.00
Orphanage	52.00	30.00	40.00	75.00	20.00	6.00	....	223.00
Pine Meeting House	25.00	10.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	5.00	....	95.00
Reed's Cross Roads	20.00	10.00	25.00	25.00	3.00	3.50	....	86.50
Rich Fork	12.50	6.00	10.00	11.00	4.00	2.50	....	46.00
Stoner's Grove	7.00	5.00	6.00	10.00	3.00	2.50	....	33.50
Summerville	3.00	1.00	2.25	2.00	1.00	1.00	....	10.25
Taylor's Grove	3.50	1.00	2.00	4.50	1.00	1.00	....	13.00
Thomasville	35.00	26.00	45.00	37.50	7.50	4.00	....	135.00
Wallburg	55.00	30.00	55.00	65.00	7.00	6.00	....	218.00
Totals	408.00	215.00	446.25	531.50	106.00	72.50	....	1,779.25
Totals reported last year (1907)	387.50	205.00	427.00	463.75	90.50	70.50	....	1,674.75

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES.	Pastors Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Churches	Ministerial Education	Old Ministers' Relief	Other Objects	Minute Fund	TOTALS
Abbott's Creek	Thos. Carrick, High Point	150.00	.....	20.00	7.00	10.00	15.00	5.50	12.50	31.30	.....	5.00	4.50	.....	2.25	260.80
Asheboro		44.90	99.60	.....	9.89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.30	154.39
Center Cross	L. W. Harris, Eldorado	17.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.25	.25	.25	1.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.25
Center Hill	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	100.00	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00	3.00	5.00	2.30	.....	1.50	1.00	21.00	1.00	1,136.80
Denton		150.00	.....	28.00	22.06	.....	9.14	4.00	8.00	17.50	.....	3.00	4.00	15.00	1.61	260.75
Gravel Hill	Lee W. Harris	47.30	.....	.....	5.00	.....	10.45	4.50	8.64	10.00	.....	2.28	2.84	11.00	.80	102.81
Holloways	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150.00	.....	.....	7.00	.....	20.00	7.00	20.52	25.67	.....	5.50	3.62	45.00	1.80	264.69
Huldah	M. J. Leach	30.00	40.00	.....	2.40	.....	.60	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73.00
Jackson Creek		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150.00	173.73	.....	9.65	.....	33.00	14.23	27.17	37.23	.....	8.00	3.00	32.00	1.80	488.01
Lexington	Joseph T. Watts, Lexington	1,400.00	649.23	354.00	138.55	.....	60.00	35.00	81.30	71.55	.....	5.00	5.00	72.00	2.10	2,878.33
Liberty	W. J. Laffoon	75.00	.....	.....	2.16	.....	5.00	5.00	12.00	10.00	.....	3.00	2.00	21.02	1.52	135.18
Lick Creek	Henry Sheets, Lexington	150.00	60.00	40.00	6.00	.....	13.43	4.00	10.00	17.00	.....	3.00	2.00	18.38	1.60	323.86
Maple Springs		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon	M. J. Leach, Lassiter, N. C.	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	.....	3.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	8.00	.30	23.00
New Friendship	Thos. Carrick, High Point	150.00	.....	15.00	5.00	.....	10.00	6.00	10.00	25.00	.....	3.00	1.50	.....	1.60	225.50
Oak Hill		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	T. S. Crutchfield, Thomasville	177.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	51.52	83.33	268.03	.....	20.00	6.23	.....	2.00	656.11
Pine Meeting House	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	200.00	150.00	18.00	45.59	.....	25.00	10.00	25.00	23.03	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	2.50	496.62
Reed's Cross Roads	S. D. Swaim, Lexington	150.00	1,620.00	35.00	15.60	.....	15.00	10.00	16.30	25.00	.....	3.00	3.50	.....	.....	1,257.80
Rich Fork	T. S. Crutchfield, Thomasville	100.00	.....	41.00	12.80	.....	11.04	6.00	8.93	11.00	.....	2.50	2.05	.....	1.00	195.32
Stoner's Grove	Henry Sheets, Lexington	100.00	.....	3.50	5.00	.....	5.50	4.50	5.00	34.05	.....	2.00	2.00	21.00	1.35	180.75
Summerville	Wm. Laffoon, High Point	57.00	128.00	.....	.64	.....	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	.....	.....	1.20	9.51	.46	201.87
Taylor's Grove		85.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....	3.50	.....	2.00	4.00	.....	1.00	1.00	.....	.75	100.25
Thomasville	T. S. Crutchfield, Thomasville	250.00	98.26	64.21	45.01	.....	62.81	89.32	59.42	47.91	10.00	20.40	4.03	85.08	2.00	836.47
*Wallburg	Thos. Carrick, High Point	175.00	.....	25.00	25.00	.....	53.71	44.74	55.65	150.08	.....	5.00	5.00	37.92	2.50	1,018.60
Totals		3,723.25	4,023.82	645.71	368.85	10.00	412.88	310.96	456.21	816.47	10.00	98.18	59.47	396.91	30.24	11,462.95
Totals reported last year (1907)		3,261.53	377.20	440.27	294.49	7.50	432.54	252.01	586.28	676.83	20.06	90.91	55.52	893.09	18.49	7,146.48

* Liberty-Piedmont Institute, $451.50.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, AUGUST 1908.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES	Officers and Teach.	Number of Scholars	Total	Number of Schools	No. Vol. in Library	Quartly, and papers Taken	Months Kept Open	Average Attendance	Baptisms from Schls	School Expenses
Abbott's Creek	N. R. Teague, Kernersville	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	7	70	77	1	...	.....	12	35	...	7.00
Asheboro	C. L. Holton, Asheboro	Miss May Byrd, Asheboro	6	40	46	1	...	60	9	25	...	9.89
Center Cross	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Center Hill	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton	W. T. Tysinger, Denton	7	112	120	1	100	100	12	61½	...	22.06
Gravel Hill	W. A. Russell, Riley's Store	Mrs. Bertha Sheets, Riley's store	4	51	55	1	...	55	12	45	1	5.00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill	7	60	67	3	75	75	12	35	1	7.00
Huldah	G. H. Bean, Michfield	Sidney Moore, Seagrove	6	42	48	..	...	.....	6	30	...	2.40
Jackson Creek	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood R. 2	J. N. Penninger, Linwood	8	77	85	1	...	105	12	54	...	9.65
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	James Smith, Lexington	20	425	445	2	...	.....	12	275	40	138.55
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville R. 4	E. L. Hepler, Hannersville	7	40	47	1	100	.....	12	30	4	2.16
Lick Creek	N. C. Feezor, Silver Hill	J. L. Snider, Silver Hill	9	85	94	1	100	94	9	50	...	6.00
Maple Springs	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	..	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Marion	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	..	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Mt. Lebanon	J. D. Welch, Pisgah	C. W. Shaw, Stricely	6	40	46	1	...	48	6	30	...	2.00
New Friendship	B. Charles, Winston-Salem	Eugene Snider, Winston-Salem	5	50	55	1	...	40	6	40	...	5.00
Oak Hill	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....
Orphanage	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	Conley Phifer, Thomasville	12	385	397	1	...	360	12	304	15	.....
Pine Meeting House	R. K. Williams, Linwood	Ray Rickard, Linwood	19	177	196	3	...	522	12	37	35	45 59
Reed's Cross Roads	B. O. Myers, Lexington	A. B. Craver, Lexington	12	117	129	1	...	150	12	65	13	15.60
Rich Fork	William Bowers, Lake	Oscar Bowers, Lake	7	90	97	..	...	81	12	60	...	12.80
Stoner's Grove	J. D. Lookabill, Lindwood	C. E. Lookabill, Linwood	8	75	83	1	...	57	12	40	...	5.00
Summerville	C. B. Wall, Denton	J. W. Thompson, Denton	4	34	38	1	...	12	9	30	...	64
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	Miss N. Owen, Chandler	5	45	50	1	...	75	6	30	...	3.00
Thomasville	A. F. Sams, Thomasville	Frank Huett, Thomasville	8	150	158	1	...	.....	12	95	9	45.01
Wallburg	P. S. Vann, Wallburg	G. G. Wall, Wallburg	5	60	65	1	...	115	12	60	2	25.00
Totals												

CHURCHES	CLERKS AUD POST OFFICES	ADDED				LOST								
		Baptisms	Rec. by Let	Restored	Totals	Dis. by Let.	Excluded	Deaths	Totals	Gain	Lost	Males	Females	Total Membership
Abbotts Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	14	1	..	15	2	..	5	7	8	..	55	100	155
Asheboro	C. L. Holt, Asheboro	3	2	..	5	4	1	..	5	...	..	7	8	15
Center Cross	John Cole, Seagrove	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	1	4	5
Center Hill	T. M. Sheets, Lexington Route 6	9	8	..	17	...	...	...	...	...	..	21	43	64
Denton	..	20	..	..	20	5	2	..	7	13	..	52	61	113
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	3	..	..	3	2	1	2	5	...	2	12	27	39
Holloways	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	8	..	..	8	1	..	1	2	...	1	68	130	198
Huldah	V. Moore, Wichfield	...	2	..	2	...	..	1	1	...	..	8	15	23
Jackson's Creek	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Jersey	..	9	..	..	9	46	3	..	49	...	49	63	80	143
Lexington	L. A. Smith, Linwood	48	28	1	77	15	..	3	18	59	..	129	199	328
Liberty	J. W. Noell, Lexington	12	..	..	12	...	7	1	8	4	..	51	102	153
Lick Creek	J. M. Easter, Thomasville Route 4	27	2	..	29	...	1	..	1	28	..	65	77	142
Maple Springs	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Marion	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Mount Lebanon	..	...	...	...	...	2	..	..	2	...	2	10	24	34
New Friendship	J. D. Welch, Pisgah	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	...	..	53	83	136
Oak Hill	S. A. Hege, Winston-Salem	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	..	15	10	..	25	9	..	..	9	16	..	146	167	313
Pine Meeting House	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	48	..	6	54	6	1	3	10	44	..	87	139	226
Reed's Cross Roads	A. R. Williams, Linwood	14	..	..	14	3	2	1	6	8	..	64	98	162
Rich Fork	A. E. Myers, Lexington	11	..	2	13	..	4	..	4	9	..	38	72	110
Stoner's Grove	T. H. Small, Thomasville	...	...	...	...	2	..	..	2	...	2	35	32	67
Summerville	O. L. Stoner, Linwood	15	1	1	17	...	..	1	1	16	..	21	44	65
Taylor's Grove	Edward Bean, Silver Hill	...	1	..	1	3	..	..	3	...	2	6	10	16
Thomasville	D. M. Summy, Chandlers	15	15	..	30	8	1	..	9	21	..	34	61	95
Wallburg	J. T. Valentine, Thomasville	3	3	..	6	4	..	3	7	...	1	35	65	100
Totals	J. E. Motsinger	275	73	10	385	113	23	21	157	226	59	1,061	1,641	2,702
Totals reported last year (1907)	..	189	68	8	264	63	21	24	108	191	35	1,003	1,557	2,560

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SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

(*Seventy-Seventh Anniversary.*)

OF

Liberty Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

LIBERTY CHURCH,

AUGUST 19, 20 AND 21, 1909.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator—Henry Sheets .....Lexington, N. C.
Clerk—P. S. Vann.....Lexington, N. C.
Treasurer—S. H. Averitt.....Thomasville, N. C.

PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT SESSION.

Place of next meeting—The Orphanage.
Time of next meeting—September 6, 7, 8, 1910.
To preach the Introductory Sermon—A. K. Wright. Alternate—S. D. Swaim.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1909.

W. S. Adderton.....Denton, N. C.
Lee Carrick.....Linwood N. C.
T. S. Crutchfield.....Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler.....Thomasville, N. C.
M. J. Leach.....Lassiter, N. C.
H. Morton .....Thomasville, N. C.
J. D. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.
Henry Sheets .....Lexington, N. C.
S. D. Swaim.....Lexington, N. C.
A. K. Wright.....Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green,
P. S. Vann, Grover Palmer.

PROCEEDINGS.

THOMASVILLE, N. C., Route No. 3.
August 19, 1909.

The seventy-sixth annual session of the Liberty Baptist Association met in Liberty Church on August 19, 1909.

At 11:30 in the morning, the Introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. D. Swaim. His theme was, "Faith without works is dead." There was then an intermission of one and one-half hours for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

August 19, 1909.

At two o'clock the Association was called to order by the Clerk. Prayer was offered by H. Morton.

Henry Sheets was elected Moderator *pro tem.*

The Moderator appointed R. S. Green and S. D. Swaim to read the letters from the churches.

The delegates from the churches were as follows:

Abbott's Creek—C. H. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, N. R. Teague.
Asheboro—J. D. Bowen, C. G. Frazier, J. W. Trogden.
Center Hill—C. A. Owen, A. V. Miller, E. D. Jarrett.
Denton—W. B. Russell, J. A. Henderson.
Gravel Hill—T. H. Davis, E. M. Russell, W. A. Strickland.
Holloway's—B. R. Cross, W. D. Star.
Jersey—J. B. Palmer, George Barnes.
Lexington—G. W. Miller.
Liberty—Jas. Easter, H. P. May, A. S. Miller.
Lick Creek—P. M. Snider.
New Friendship—B. F. Charles, A. P. Snider.
Orphanage—M. L. Kesler.
Pine Meeting House—
Reed's Cross Roads—
Rich Fork—W. M. Eddinger, S. L. Eddinger, G. W. Leonard.
Stoner's Grove—
Summerville—C. B. Wall, Jason Buie.
Taylor's Grove—D. W. Summey.
Thomasville—R. S. Green, A. J. Olive, J. T. Valentine.
Wallburg—J. B. Motsinger, C. M. Wall, Carroll Wall.

On motion, P. S. Vann was instructed to cast the ballot for Henry Sheets for Moderator.

On motion, S. D. Swaim was instructed to cast the ballot for S. H. Averitt for Treasurer.

A. K. Wright and J. D. Bowen were welcomed into the Association.

The following visitors were recognized: A. L. Betts, for the *Recorder;* F. W. Hancock, for Oxford Seminary; L.

Johnson, Corresponding Secretary for State Missions; C. E. Maddrey, State Vice-President for Home Missions.

The chair appointed Thomas Carrick, C. M. Wall, and S. D. Swaim committee on order of business for the session.

On motion of S. D. Swaim, it was carried to discuss the subject of Periodicals.

On motion of Thomas Carrick, it was carried to appoint the pastor of Liberty church with the deacons of said church a committee on Religious Exercises for the session.

By request of J. D. Bowen, pastor of the Asheboro church, said church was granted a letter of dismission to unite with the Piedmont Association.

The Moderator appointed the following Finance Committee: R. S. Green, C. H. Teague and G. W. Miller.

M. L. Kesler read the report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Biblical Recorder has held a peculiar place in the affections of those who have known it during all the years of its life * * * * There has been no growth but the Recorder was its prophet; no new enterprise or institution but the Recorder was the herald of its advance. * * * * But now to the obligations of gratitude and to the consideration of our own interests has been added a new reason. * * * * We have taken upon ourselves the right and power of an equal share in naming its editor and directing its policy. * * * * Necessarily there follows a new responsibility. Having in our hands the right to advise in its management, we should have in our hearts the desire to give it a larger success. * * * * From this day on, the Recorder should be a recognized agency of this Convention, a department of our work, entitled to its own place on our programs and to its own share of our affections. The Recorder should stand at the door of the Convention and of the various associations, not as a beggar seeking subscriptions, but as the voice of a great denomination calling us and all of us into a greater knowledge and a larger work. * * * * If through the Recorder we can reach our people every week, if they can come to know our work and its needs, if in its pages there may be established a community of thought and interest then we may expect greater and still greater things for our cause, our growth, and our usefulness to the world.

We endorse the above extract from the report adopted by the last Baptist State Convention. We further recommend that hereafter the report on periodicals be a report on The Biblical Recorder and that it be so designated; and further that other periodicals be discussed under their respective objects. Also we suggest that pastors observe a Recorder day and deliver sermons or addresses on the Recorder as they do on other objects of our Convention.

M. L. KESLER,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by M. L. Kesler, A. L. Betts and T. S. Crutchfield.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed P. S. Vann, J. T. Valentine and C. A. Owen committee on time and place of next session.

The Committee on order of business reported as follows:

Thursday.

3:30 to 4:00—Periodicals.
4:00 to Adjournment—Temperance.

Friday.

9:30 to 10:00—Religious exercises.
10:00 to 11:00—Home Missions.
11:00 to 12:00—State Missions.
12:00 to 1:30—Recess.
1:30 to 2:15—Orphanage.
2:15 to 3:30—Education.
3:30 to Adjournment—Ministerial Relief.

Saturday.

9:30 to 10:00—Religious exercises.
10:00 to 10:30—Obituaries.
10:30 to 11:15—Foreign Missions.
11:15 to 12:00—Ministerial Education.
12:00 to 12:30—Sunday Schools.
12:30 to Adjournment—Miscellaneous Business.

J. D. Newton read the report on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

It is sufficient to say that the liquor business has had its death blow in our State.

We must declare our disapproval of newspaper or circular advertising of intoxicating drinks.

We must encourage every effort to enforce existing laws on strong drink and discourage by all reasonable means the use of the same.

J. D. NEWTON.

The report was discussed by J. D. Newton, A. K. Wright, T. S. Crutchfield, F. W. Hancock, Thomas Carrick, H. Morton, S. D. Swaim and W. G. Fitzgerald.

The report was adopted.

M. L. Kesler moved that the debt on the History of Liberty Association be paid by giving negotiable note. The following pastors agreed to become responsible for the debt, with their churches as follows: T. S. Crutchfield, $30; S. D. Swaim, $25; A. K. Wright, $25; Henry Sheets, $10.

C. M. Wall became responsible for $10.

T. S. Crutchfield was appointed to preach at 8:15 p. m.

J. D. Bowen was appointed to conduct devotional exercises on Friday a. m., 9:30 to 10:00.

On motion, the Association was adjourned with prayer by J. D. Bowen.

FRIDAY MORNING.

August 20, 1909.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 10 o'clock. Prayer was offered by J. M. Trogden.

The unfinished business about the debt on the publication of the History of Liberty Association was taken from the table. The debt being paid except one hundred and fifty dollars, this amount was settled by giving a note for the above amount.

T. S. Crutchfield read the report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission Board has headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. Dr. B. D. Gray is the Corresponding Secretary. His report of the work of the Board to the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention was indeed an encouraging message to those who are interested in the carrying out of our Lord's command, recorded in Mat 28:19-20. The Conventional year, closing Nov. 1908, seems to have been a kind of harvest of the seed sowing of previous years.

The Board had employed 961 missionaries and 5 evangelists; and through their efforts, there were 22,404 people baptized last year, and 337 churches constituted. This is an average of a little more than 61 baptisms for every day in the year, and a little more than one church for each week day in the year.

In the Biblical Recorder of Aug. 4, 1909, V. I. Masters, Editorial Secretary of the Board has a very encouraging article under the caption: Some Significant Home Mission Facts. To show further how abundantly the Lord is blessing the Home Mission work of Southern Baptists, I quote the following from that article: "A search through the annual reports of each one of the Home Mission Boards of the larger evangelical denominations in America, some of whom spent three times as much on their work as we did, does not show a single instance in which half as many additions to churches resulted from Home Mission work." The comparison here made is with our own work.

The Board embraces in its territory fifteen of our Southern and Central States with Cuba and Panama.

The recent material development of the South and the turning tide of immigration Southward are creating conditions which render it imperative that we as Southern Baptists shall lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes in Home Mission work. And the Southwest is becoming a more and more important mission field because of the fact that men of high ideals and power are now taking the place of the unstable adventurer of other days. The Southwest is destined to become more extensive and important. The rapid growth of cities all through the South makes it important that we get a hold in them before they grow to too great proportions. A city is like an individual, in that religion must get its hold upon it while young or the situation is almost or quite hopeless. To-day is the day of opportunity for Christ's cause in the cities of the South.

And foreigners are coming to the South by the hundreds, thus bringing Foreign Mission work right to our doors. We must Christianize them or they will heathenize vast sections of our cities as they have already done in the North.

In view of the great needs of the Home Board to prosecute this

work, our State Convention has recommended that the State raise $25,000.00 for this object this year. And we as a committee recommend that our Association do a goodly part in this, and also prepare for still larger things in the future. And let us place as a plank in our platform: The whole of our Southland for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
T. S. CRUTCHFIELD,
J. T. VALENTINE,
Committee.

The report was discussed by C. E. Maddrey.

Pledges were taken for this object amounting to $215.50.

The report was adopted.

Thomas Carrick read the report on State Missions.

THE REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The work of State Missions has been emphasized by the Baptist of North Carolina to a greater or less degree for the last one hundred years.

One of the fundamental objects in view in the organization of the Baptist State Convention was that of supplying the destitute sections of the State with the preaching of the gospel. This work has gone on in its organized form for more than three quarters of a century.

The work of State Missions has not been uniform in its success from the beginning. For many years the means and men for carrying on this work were limited and the success of the State Mission work was variable. For the last thirty years or more the progress has been steady, and the increase in means and missionaries have advanced all along the lines until now we have reached the highest success in the history of State Mission work.

The number of missionaries this year is 148; number baptized by missionaries last year 2,047; the amount to be raised for State Missions this year, $40,000. Yet there is great need to enlarge the work. It is estimated that some 600,000 adults in our State are unconverted, that is about half of our adult population. We need more money and more men to press forward in this work.

I am not definitely informed as to the work in this Association for this year but am sure that good work is being done, but there are still many destitute sections that ought to have preaching with a view to organizing churches.

Much has been done but much more needs to be done. The work grows upon us year by year.

Will not the churches of our Association and the churches all over the State awake to the importance of the work of State Missions. As the State Mission work advances so will all the other interests of the Convention prosper.

Respectfully submitted,
THOS. CARRICK,
C. M. WALL,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Livingston Johnson.

Pledges were taken amounting to $391.00.

The report was adopted.

The chair appointed the following committees:

To nominate the Executive Board of the Association—A. K. Wright, Jeff Lanning and J. D. Newton.

To nominate Trustees of Liberty-Piedmont Institute—T. S. Crutchfield, G. W. Miller and D. S. Hayworth.

The committee on time, place and preacher for next session of the Association read the following report:

We recommend that our next session convene Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1910, that it convene at Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, and that A. K. Wright preach the Introductory sermon, with alternate S. D. Swaim.

This report was adopted.

The Association, at his own request, excused the Moderator to attend his appointment.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports on the subjects preceding their names, for the next session of the Association:

State Missions—S. D. Swaim, J. D. Palmer.
Home Missions—T. S. Crutchfield, W. B. Thompson.
Foreign Missions—A. K. Wright, G. W. Miller.
Periodicals—C. M. Wall, B. R. Cross.
Orphanage—Thomas Carrick, Chas. A. Owen.
Sunday Schools—R. K. Williams, J. T. Valentine.
Ministerial Relief—P. M. Snider, O. L. Stoner.
Temperance—H. W. Early, S. H. Kindley.
Obituaries—H. Morton, C. H. Teague.
Woman's Work—P. S. Vann, Archibald Johnson.
Ministerial Education—S. H. Averitt and A. P. Snider.

Adjourned with prayer by J. D. Newton.

Afternoon Session.

August 20, 1909.

The Association was called to order by S. D. Swaim, Moderator *pro tem.*

Prayer was offered by J. M. Trogden.

M. L. Kesler read the report on the Thomasville Orphanage.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

To be interested in the helpless and needy, is to be like Jesus. It was this spirit that promoted the building of the Baptist Orphanage. Twenty-five years ago this institution took shape. Now we have a plant with 450 acres of land, 150 of which are in cultivation. The children are wisely being taught all kinds of manual labor which will qualify them for the active duties of life.

There are nearly 400 children to be cared for by our people.

This work has been growing upon our people all the time, not alone for the good that is being done, but the Baptist brotherhood have entire confidence in the management.

And then there are people visiting this place year by year who never saw it before. They invariably return with tender feelings in their hearts for the work. They tell their friends and thus the

ıterest widens. Another thing which must not be overlooked: ıe management has had no secrets about the work as it is being arried on. All our people know, or may know, where every dollar f their money goes. Because of this policy, there is absolutely o ground for suspicion.

Charity and Children edited by Archibald Johnson, has played o small part in bringing about this fine condition. Every Baptist ımily in this Association should take and read this paper.

It is the opinion of your committee, that the work of sustaining ıe Orphanage at Thomasville has done as much to stimulate, nd develop in our people the grace of giving, as any other single gency.

But let us never forget that the work is growing year by year nd that the demands are in an increasing ratio. Let every man, oman and child bear some part in carrying on this great work.

HENRY SHEETS,
O. L. STONER,
Committee.

The report was discussed by M. L. Kesler.

Pledges were taken on this object amounting to $460.50.

The report was adopted.

H. W. Early read the report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The Christian education is the hope of the world. The funda- ıental principles of civilization spring from the bedrock of Chris- ian education.

As a denomination let us pursue no narrow policy. Let us not ppose the State in its efforts to improve educational conditions. ut at the same time, let us not fail to give our denominational chools that hearty and loyal support to which they are so justly ntitled. The crises in the life of many of our own schools is not et passed. Now is the time when we, as a denomination, should train every nerve and bend all our energy to keep well to the ront in that great educational movement that is now sweeping ver our Southland like a mighty tidal wave.

The debt that mankind owes to Christian education can never e paid. The history of education shows that for centuries no ther education existed; that it was by the efforts of the church hat our present secular institutions of learning came into exist- nce; that many of the elements in our modern civilization—paint- ng, music, architecture, sculpture—had their origin in religion. Ien should not, then, so lightly esteem a past that has made pos- ible a present so glorious.

Our denominational schools seek as the great purpose of their xistence that elevation of character of which the cultured mind is ut a part. They seek to instill into the minds and hearts of their tudents those principles of honor, justice, and truth that will make hem worthy leaders of men. They can and do give a broader and ore general culture than our secular schools. In them, and hem alone, can be taught, legitimately, the Bible—and we believe hat no system of education which does not give instruction in od's Word is complete.

For these and other reasons we believe that our boys and girls hould, if possible, receive their education in our own schools. herefore, we renew our allegiance to Wake Forest College, Mere- ith College Liberty-Piedmont Institute, and pledge them our most oyal support.

The report was discussed by H. W. Early, J. H. Gorrell and R. T. Vann.

The report was adopted.

R. S. Green read the report on Ministerial Relief.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The object of the Baptist Ministers Relief Board is to "afford aid and relief to needy Baptist ministers of North Carolina and to their widows."

All donations to the Board are to be applied as follows: One-third to be invested as a permanent interest bearing fund, the interest on which, together with the remaining two-thirds, shall be placed at the immediate disposal of the Board.

The Board consists of nine members appointed by the Baptist State Convention, to which body it is required to make an annual report, and conduct all its operations under the charter of the same.

To entitle any minister to the benefits of the Board he must be a Baptist minister belonging to a regular Baptist church identified with the Baptist State Convention. If not a native, he must have resided in the State and served churches as pastor or evangelist at least five years prior to his application.

He must by reason of age or physical infirmity be incapable of regular pastoral work, his pecuniary condition must be such as to render the aid asked for necessary to his support and his moral character must be such as becomes a minister of the gospel.

All applications for aid must receive the endorsement of the Moderator and Executive Committee of the Association in which the applicant resides.

No officer of the board receives compensation for services rendered, except the actual expenses of a member when attending to the business of the board, the same to be approved by the President and Auditor.

There are 32 beneficiaries on the board at present. The constitution forbids the appropriation of a dollar that is not in hand. The amount given is quite small and serves only to help, rather than to provide a support.

If unworthy persons are aided, it is the fault of the brethren of the churches at home, and not of the Board.

We would earnestly commend that each of them take up a collection some time during the year for its support. We would further suggest that the churches of our Association adopt the plan now pursued by many churches of giving a Christmas offering to these old ministers who have laid their lives upon the altar of the Lord.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
ROBT. S. GREEN
Committee

The report was discussed by R. S. Green.

The report was adopted.

On motion of H. Morton, the Clerk was ordered to copy the pledges for this object as they were made at the last session.

Jeff Lanning was appointed to conduct devotional exercises at 9:30 Saturday a. m.

A. K. Wright was appointed to preach for the Association at 8:15 this evening.

The Association was adjourned with prayer by R. T. Vann.

SATURDAY MORNING.

August 21, 1909.

The Association was called to order by S. D. Swaim, Moderator *pro tem.* Prayer was offered by A. K. Wright.

On motion, S. D. Swaim was asked to prepare a report on Obituaries and present this report for publication in our minutes.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Once more it becomes the duty of your committee to record those who have left us for that "Vast Unknown" during the past Associational year. They "are not dead, but asleep," and while we mourn their absence for the time, we rejoice in the knowledge of their entrance into those mansions prepared by our Savior. May it be our effort to so live that when our final summons comes our "Lamps may be found trimmed and burning." We give below the list furnished by the Delegates:

Liberty Church—Joshua Copple, Mrs. Mary Dorsett.
Rich Fork—William Bowers.
Abbott's Creek—D. D. Orrell.
Thomasville—E. B. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Endora V. Tranton.
Summerville—Ollin Peterson.
New Friendship—E. J. Hine.

Lexington—We record our sorrowful sense of loss in the death of Brother Jas. Smith, who was a charter member of the Lexington Church and held the offices of Deacon, Treasurer, Trustee and Secretary-Treasurer of the Sunday School, since the organization of the church. In the discharge of the duties of these offices he was always a faithful steward and zealous for the cause of the Master. In the office of treasurer he was ever ready to meet all obligations regardless of the State of the Treasury. His wise counsel and leadership will not only be missed in the Church but in the Association of which he was Moderator for nineteen years, but our loss is his gain.

S. D. SWAIM.

Kind and appreciative words were made in memory of the life of our former Moderator, James Smith, by P. S. Vann, H. Morton, R. S. Green, C. H. Teague, A. P. Snider.

S. D. Swaim read the report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention made a most hopeful and encouraging report for the year 1908.

Workers and Results—Twenty-one new missionaries were sent out. There are now on the field 231 Missionaries and 375 native helpers, making a total of 606 workers. There are 259 churches and 559 out stations, with a total membership of 16,596 and 325 Sunday-schools with a total of 10,430 scholars. There were 2,905

converts baptized during the year but the largest results due to the leavening power of the gospel among the people cannot be tabulated.

Methods of Work—Of course the main thing is the preaching of the gospel and all that is done is aimed directly toward reaching the people with the Evangel of Christ. There are some valuable aids to the work of preaching which experience has taught our missionaries to use. One of the aids is the educational work. We have 142 schools with 3,846 scholars. All of these schools, even those in which elementary branches are taught have in view the training of native helpers.

We have thirteen medical missionaries, three hospitals and eleven dispensaries with a total number of patients last year of 42,659. All of these patients with attendant friends heard the gospel preached before they received treatment.

We have four printing plants which sent out during the year hundreds of thousands of religious tracts, periodicals, books and Bibles in the languages of the various countries. This literature is a powerful aid in the work of evangelization.

The total receipts for last year were $460,997, a gain of $58,000 over the year before. The Convention fixed the estimate for this year at $537,500. North Carolina is asked to give $45,000 of this amount.

We recommend that special effort be made to secure a liberal contribution from every member of every church. We also urge our people to subscribe for the Foreign Mission Journal.

S. D. SWAIM,
Chairman Committee.

The report was discussed by A. K. Wright.

Pledges were taken on this object amounting to $410.00.

The report was adopted.

A. K. Wright read the report on Ministerial Education.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The policy of our denomination, if we have one policy prominent above all the rest, is to give Truth, and True Liberty to the whole world.

How are we to do this, unless our leaders and teachers are prepared with the power of knowledge as well as understanding? With a foresight that amounted almost to inspiration, our fathers founded and equipped our great Baptist College back yonder in the past, in order to strengthen our cause in this worthy undertaking. The years have demonstrated the wisdom of their course.

Some years ago, an influence was brought to bear upon the faculty, and Board of Trustees of that College, and they made it necessary for all Theological students to pay their way through College, as all other students, whether able or not. It took but a few years to show them their error.

By a Providence that guides in all things in this world, the great number as well as the most powerful and efficient of His laborers in The Great Cause, are recruited from the ranks of the humble and the poor. And when God calls a poor boy into the ranks of His workers, to give their lives to The Cause, He calls also upon those of His followers who are able, to prepare and give the means for his proper equipment.

The leaders of this day, must be prepared with training and knowledge as well as endowed with unction. God has more things in store for His people than we dream of. Our leaders must find

out for us that they may lead us in. We must lend to them the aid that is necessary, and they will then in turn part the waters of Ignorance for us, and lead into the Greater Inheritance.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. HANKINS,
H. C. MYERS,
Committee.

The report was discussed by S. D. Swaim.

On motion of A. K. Wright, the Clerk was instructed to record the pledges for this object the same as that pledged by the different churches for last year.

The report was adopted.

A. K. Wright read the report on Sunday Schools.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The hope of our churches lies chiefly in the Sunday School since it furnishes practically the only opportunity for systematic Bible study. Our churches will be strong in proportion to the Scriptural knowledge of their membership.

While our Sunday Schools report some advance in the number enrolled each year, yet the increase is not commensurate with the church's opportunity as compared with its membership, nor is it in keeping with the general revival in Sunday School work throughout the country.

We would heartily commend the organized class idea as the best working basis for securing interest in the adult department.

The subject of Missions needs to be emphasized in our schools in a more special way than the usual Missionary lesson. The report for last year shows that there were only 120 baptisms from the Sunday Schools in 21 churches. Since practically three fourths of our church members were led to Christ through the Sunday School we need to urge the matter of conversion and decision for Cnrist.

The crying need in our Sunday School work is a better equipment for teaching and a better trained teaching force.

We recommend that our Sunday School specialists be used when available. We heartily endorse the able presentation of the Sunday School lessons and discussions of Sunday School work in the Biblical Recorder and commend the publications of our Sunday School Board at Nashville.

A. K. WRIGHT,
P. M. SNYDER,
Committee.

The report was discussed by A. K. Wright.

Report was adopted.

P. S. Vann read the report on Woman's Work.

SUMMARY OF THE WOMAN'S WORK OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

Representatives of the Woman's Missionary Societies, Sunbeam Bands and Young Woman's Auxiliaries of the Liberty Association met at 9:30 a. m., in the Jersey Baptist Church in their third annual session Aug. 14, 1909.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. P. S. Vann, the Associational Vice-President, and all joined heartily in singing, "What a friend we have in Jesus." Psalm 33 was read, and prayer offered by Mrs. Vann.

Mrs. D. E. Webb, of Jersey, delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Ladies of Jersey Church. Rev. A. K. Wright responded on behalf of the Association.

Appreciative words were spoken to the delegates and visitors by the Vice-President.

Mrs. A. K. Wright was appointed Secretary of the Association.

Delegates from the following societies responded to the roll call. The W. M. S. of Lexington, Jersey, Wallburg and Orphanage. The Y. W. A. of Lexington, the Sunbeams of Lexington and Wallburg. The W. M. S. and Sunbeams of Thomasville were represented by letter. The Societies of Denton and Reed's Cross Roads did not respond. We now have eleven Societies in our Association; six W. M. S.; four Sunbeam Bands and one Y. W. A.; the Asheboro Sunbeam Band having withdrawn to join the Piedmont Association. The Association took as its moneyed aim for the coming year $550.00. The following committee was appointed to approximately estimate the proportion of this amount to be given to the various objects.

State Missions—Mrs. Z. T. Sharpe and Mrs. S. D. Swaim.

Home Missions—Mrs. A. K. Wright and Miss Mary Craig.

Foreign Missions—Miss Roxie Sheets and Mrs. D. E. Webb.

Louisville Training School—Miss Maude Wall and Mrs. R. L. Palmer.

Time and Place—Miss Roxie Sheets, Miss Mary Craig and Mrs. G. W. Wall.

Programme—Mrs. S. D. Swaim, Miss Roxie Sheets and Mrs. A. K. Wright.

Assistants to the Vice-President—Mrs. Z. T. Sharpe, Mrs. A. K. Wright, Miss Lula Motsinger and Mrs. S. D. Swaim.

State Missions was discussed by Mrs. S. D. Swaim, of Lexington; Home Missions, by Mrs. A. K. Wright, of Lexington; after which a letter from Dr. B. D. Gray on Home Mission work was read by Miss Lula Motsinger, of Wallburg. The work of the Louisville Training School was discussed by Miss Maude Wall, of Wallburg.

Letters of greeting and suggestions from Miss Heck were read by Mrs. Vann and they were adopted by the Union.

Prayer by Rev. A. K. Wright.

Intermission for dinner, 1 hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:30 o'clock the Vice President called the meeting to order. The devotional exercises were led by Miss Mary Craig, of The Orphanage, who read the 14th chapter of John, followed by prayer by Mrs. S. D. Swaim.

Report of Committees.

Foreign Missions	$ 225.00
Home Missions	175.00
State Missions	135.00
Louisville Training School	15.00

Time and Place.

Time of Meeting—Thursday before the 4th Sunday in August.

Place of Meeting—Wallburg.

The report of the Margaret Home was read by Mrs. R. Lee Palmer, of Jersey.

Foreign Missions was discussed by Miss Roxie Sheets, of Lexington, after which Dr. Willingham's letter on this subject was read by Miss E. Zora Mallard, of Lexington.

Miss Heck's appeal to the Young Women was read by Mrs. Vann, who also discussed the work the young women are doing and made an appeal for the organization of more new Societies during the coming year.

The report of the Sunbeam work was given by Miss Elva Wall and Miss Pearl Green gave a brief review of her work as leader of Sunbeam Band at Wallburg.

The address of the day, "Our Missionary Opportunity and How to Meet It," was delivered by Rev. A. K. Wright, of Lexington to which all the men of the church were admitted.

The following were subjects for open discussions:

I. "Advantages of Quarterly or Special meetings open to the Public," paper prepared by Mrs. T. S. Crutchfield, and read by Miss Addie Carlton, of the Thomasville Orphanage.

II. "What Should We Do and How Can We Do It?" led by Miss Lula Motsinger, of Wallburg, and discussed by Miss Sheets, Miss Craig and Mrs. Swaim.

The following resolutions were adopted:

(a.) That each Society take a collection once a year to defray the expenses of the Association and to pay for extra space in the Associational Minutes in which to report our work. A collection was taken amounting to $1.83 for this purpose.

(b.) That the thanks of the body be expressed to the Jersey church and people, especially to the men who provided conveyances in which to take the delegates and visitors to and from Linwood to the church.

After a chain of prayer in which many of the ladies participated, the meeting adjourned to meet at Wallburg, the Thursday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1910.

This session was in every way encouraging, steady progress being the characteristic note of all the Societies.

Financial Report from August 31, 1908, to August 31, 1909

Lexington W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 30.00
Home Missions	18.85
State Missions	22.85
Total to Missions	$ 71.70
Other Objects	34.60
Total given	$ 106.30
No. of members, 37.	MRS. S. D. SWAIM, Pres.
Thomasville W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 40.17
Home Missions	41.46
State Missions	53.47
Total to Missions	$ 135.10
Other objects	10.00
Total given	$ 145.10
No. of members, 23.	MRS. W. H. ELLIOTT, Pres.
Orphanage W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 22.65
Home Missions	18.10
Total to Missions	$ 40.75
No. of members, ...	MISS MARY CRAIG, Pres.

Wallburg W. M. S.:

Foreign Missions	$	22.50
State Missions		12.75
Home Missions		23.00
Total given to Missions	$	58.25
Other objects		2.45
Total given	$	60.70

No. of members, 10. MRS. C. M. WALL, Pres.

Jersey W. M. S.:

Foreign Missions	$	6.10
Home Missions		6.26
State Missions		4.42
Total to Missions	$	16.78
Other objects		43
Total given	$	17.21

No. of members, 20. MRS. D. E. WEBB, Pres.

Total given through W. M. S.	$	390.06

Lexington Y. W. A.:

Foreign Missions	$	60
Total given to Missions	$	60

No. of members, 10. MISS ALVM OWEN, Pres.

Sunbeam Bands.

Lexington:

Foreign Missions	$	11.04
Home Missions		5.56
State Missions		11.62
Total to Missions	$	28.22

No. of members, 34. CLARA TATE, Pres.

Thomasville:

Foreign Missions	$	3.13
Home Missions		15.83
State Missions		10.00
Total to Missions	$	28.96

No. of members, 36. ROBERT COX, Pres.

Wallburg:

Foreign Missions	$	5.90
Home Missions		3.50
State Missions		6.00
Total to Missions	$	15.40
Orphanage		1.20
Total given	$	16.60
Total given by Sunbeams	$	73.78

Grand total given through the W. M. S., Y. W. A. and Sunbeam Bands	$	464.44

MRS. P. S. VANN,
Associational Vice-President.
MRS. A. K. WRIGHT,
Secretary.

The report was discussed by S. D. Swaim.

The report was endorsed.

The committee to nominate the Executive Board of the Association reported as follows: R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green, P. S. Vann, Grover Palmer.

The report was adopted.

R. S. Green read the report of the Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

State Missions	$ 156.56
Foreign Missions	94.72
Home Missions	102.49
Education (Ministerial)	106.52
Ministerial Relief	48.54
Minute Fund	29.24
Sunday School Board	9.07
Buildings	13.05
Total	$ 560.19

Disbursements.

State Missions	$ 156.56
Foreign Missions	94.72
Home Missions	102.49
Education (Ministerial)	106.52
Ministerial Relief	48.54
Minute Fund	29.24
Sunday School Board	9.07
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Total	$ 560.19

S. H. AVERETT, Treasurer.

The report was adopted.

On motion of R. S. Green, C. M. Wall was elected to represent this Association in the Board of State Missions.

On motion of G. W. Miller A. K. Wright was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention. Alternate, S. D. Swaim.

The report recommending trustees for Liberty-Piedmont Institute was read.

LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE TRUSTEES.

The Committee appointed to recommend trustees for Liberty-Piedmont Institute submit the following: J. W. Noell, Chairman, A. Johnson, Secretary, C. M. Wall, P. M. Snider, G. W. Wall and D. C. Sharp.

Respectfully,

T. S. CRUTCHFIELD,
D. S. HAYWORTH,
G. W. MILLER,
Committee.

C. H. Teague, G. W. Miller and J. O. Bowers were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention which meets at Wadesboro.

Moved and carried that the Clerk be allowed ten dollars for his services.

H. W. Early presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved: That the Liberty Association extend to the members of Liberty Church and to the people of the community our heartfelt thanks for their hospitable entertainment during the session of this Association.

On motion of R. S. Green, the churches of the Association are asked to send the collections for the different objects to Treasurer Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C.

A. K. Wright gives notice to the Association that he will ask for a change in the Constitution by doing away with the office of Treasurer of the Association.

Adjourned to meet with the Orphanage Church on September, 1910.

Dismissed by A. K. Wright.

PLEDGES FOR 1909-1910.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek..	$15.00	$ 6.00	$13.50	$25.00	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$ 69.00
Center Hill.....	6.00	3.00	7.00	6.00	1.50	1.00	24.50
Denton	10.00	5.00	10.00	18.50	4.00	3.00	50.50
Gravel Hill.....	8.00	4.50	8.50	10.00	3.00	3.00	37.00
Holloways	20.00	7.00	22.50	20.00	5.00	3.50	78.00
Jersey	20.00	8.00	22.50	20.00	8.00	4.00	82.50
Lexington	50.00	35.00	60.00	45.00	10.00	10.00	210.00
Liberty	5.00	5.00	12.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	36.00
Lick Creek	10.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	4.00	3.00	62.00
Mount Lebanon.	2.50	1.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	11.50
New Friendship.	10.00	6.00	11.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	52.00
Orphanage	55.00	35.00	40.00	75.00	20.00	6.00	231.00
Pine Meeting H.	25.00	10.00	27.50	25.00	5.00	5.00	97.50
Reed's X Roads.	20.00	10.00	25.00	25.00	3.00	3.50	86.50
Rich Fork	12.50	6.00	10.00	15.00	4.00	2.50	50.00
Stoner's Grove..	10.00	6.00	7.00	10.00	3.00	2.50	38.50
Summerville ...	2.00	1.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	1.00	9.50
Taylor's Grove..	3.50	1.00	2.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	12.50
Thomasville	50.00	30.00	50.00	40.00	7.50	4.00	181.50
Wallburg	55.00	30.00	55.00	65.00	7.00	6.00	218.00
Totals	387.00	213.50	406.00	455.50	97.00	67.50	1626.50
Reported 1908..	408.00	215.00	446.25	531.50	106.00	72.50	1779.25
Reported 1907..	387.50	205.00	427.00	463.75	90.50	70.50	1674.75

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek	$150.00	$.....	$15.00	$ 6.00	$15.45	$15.00	$ 5.50	$13.50	$25.00	$.....	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$.....	$.....	$ 254.95
Asheboro	100.00	811.73	35.60	3.18	.....	9.00	5.43	32.17	2.00	.....	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	1004.11
Center Hill	100.00	200.00	30.00	5.00	.....	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	.....	1.50	1.00	.....	.....	355.50
Denton*	40.80	.....	25.00	39.68	.....	9.45	5.00	9.00	18.55	.....	4.00	3.00	22.00	1.00	177.48
Gravel Hill	50.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	8.00	4.50	8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.00	50	83.00
Hollaway's	150.00	.....	.....	5.60	.....	23.50	7.00	21.45	20.00	.....	5.00	4.00	.....	2.00	238.55
Jersey	150.00	.....	.....	16.19	.....	23.57	14.26	26.10	45.76	.....	8.00	3.00	42.28	.....	329.16
Lexington*	1153.01	2462.77	175.20	115.85	.....	34.47	48.41	89.04	91.28	.....	.....	.....	9.45	2.50	4181.98
Liberty	75.00	95.32	45.00	3.89	.....	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	.....	2.00	2.00	.....	1.85	254.66
Lick Creek	150.00	120.00	5.60	4.00	.....	9.57	5.00	12.33	.....	.....	2.00	3.61	.....	1.50	313.61
New Friendship	150.00	17.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	6.00	11.00	20.00	.....	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	319.00
Orphanage	174.29	57.67	.....	.....	.....	87.51	50.21	49.37	86.32	.....	44.39	16.13	9.07	2.50	577.46
Pine Meeting House	2.00	.....	.....	50.00	.....	25.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	.....	5.00	5.00	35.00	2.55	377.55
Reed's Cross Roads	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rich Fork	100.00	258.00	.....	12.50	.....	12.75	6.00	10.00	11.00	.....	4.05	2.50	1.00	1.00	418.80
Stoner's Grove	100.00	.....	223.00	14.00	.....	7.00	5.00	18.00	13.00	.....	3.00	2.50	18.65	1.15	184.53
Summerville	60.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	3.00	1.00	2.25	4.25	.....	1.00	1.00	8.10	.....	82.60
Taylor's Grove	35.00	.....	.....	2.50	.....	2.00	1.50	2.00	4.00	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	47.80
Thomasville	300.00	102.38	70.00	32.54	.....	72.60	68.64	64.35	68.32	50.00	23.74	7.25	209.19	3.00	1082.73
Wallburg	175.00	10.00	77.20	13.54	.....	55.00	30.00	55.00	78.18	50.88	6.00	7.00	22.50	.....	590.30
Totals	3225.10	4134.87	701.60	329.47	17.45	417.42	276.45	463.56	527.66	100.88	119.48	65.49	385.24	21.55	10873.77
Totals reported 1908	3723.25	4023.82	645.71	368.85	10.00	412.88	310.96	456.21	816.47	10.00	98.18	58.47	396.91	30.24	11462.95
Totals reported 1907	3261.53	377.20	440.27	294.49	7.50	432.54	252.01	586.28	676.23	20.06	90.91	55.52	893.09	18.49	7146.48

* Regular salary $1400.00.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION AUGUST, 1909.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Baptism.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.	Gain.	Loss.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	9	3	....	12	....	2	4	6	6	....	56	112	168
~~Asheboro~~	M. E. Frazer, Asheboro	2	11	....	13	5	....	....	5	8	....	12	11	23
Center Hill	T. M. Sheets, Lexington	5	5	....	10	....	....	....	....	10	....	25	48	73
Denton	L. A. Tyinger, Denton	2	4	....	6	1	1	....	2	4	....	52	64	117
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	5	....	5	11	21	34
Hollaway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	....	....	....	....	6	1	3	10	....	10	69	124	193
Jersey	L. A. Smith Linwood	9	1	2	12	8	....	....	8	4	....	59	86	149
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	....	9	1	10	25	4	1	30	....	20	123	185	308
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville, R. R. 4	1	....	2	3	....	....	4	4	....	1	52	99	151
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	3	....	3	63	76	139
New Friendship	Alex Hartman, Winston-Salem, R. 4	3	....	....	3	3	1	2	4	....	1	53	81	184
Orphanage	M. B. Moore, Thomasville	22	5	....	27	14	....	....	14	13	....	155	185	340
Pine Meeting House	A. R. Williams, Linwood	4	1	2	7	48	....	1	49	....	42	98	147	245
Reed's Cross Roads		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Rich Fork	T. N. Small, Thomasville	4	....	....	4	....	....	1	1	3	....	38	75	173
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood	1	....	1	2	....	....	2	2	....	....	33	31	64
Summerville	Edward Bean, Silver Hill	11	....	....	11	....	1	1	2	9	....	20	44	64
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	70	76
Thomasville	J. T. Valentine, Thomasville	13	9	....	22	7	1	2	10	12	....	37	78	115
Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	18	3	....	21	6	1	1	8	13	....	50	60	110
Totals		104	51	8	163	128	12	25	163	82	82	1012	1587	2726
Totals reported 1908		275	73	10	385	113	23	21	157	226	59	1061	1641	2702
Totals reported 1907		189	68	8	264	63	21	24	108	191	35	1003	1557	2560

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES.	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Total.	No. of Schools.	No. volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average. Attendance.	Baptisms from schools.	School Expenses.
Abbotts's Creek	N. R. Teague, Kernersville	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point, R.F.D	6	65	71	1	....	75	12	30	....	$ 6.00
Asheboro	C. G. Frazier, Asheboro	Miss Farla Spoon, Asheboro	8	50	58	1	....	82	12	34	1	3.18
Center Hill	J. L. Bowers, Lexington	T. M. Sheets, Lexington	8	60	68	1	....	50	12	40	....	5.00
Denton	D. A. Newsome, Denton	W. A. Heddrick, Denton	14	142	156	1	100	132	12	80	....	39.68
Gravel Hill	W. A. Russell, Riley's Store	Mrs. Birtha Sheets, Riley's Store	4	56	60	1	....	50	12	30	....	5.00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill	6	60	66	1	....	51	12	35	....	5.60
Jersey	J. D. Palmer Linwood	J. N. Peninger, Linwood	9	84	93	1	....	125	12	58	....	16.19
Lexington	J. W. Noell, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	26	361	387	2	....	550	12	245	....	115.85
Liberty	S. H. Kindley, Thomasville, R. 3	Miss Annie ——, Wellborne	7	45	52	1	100	....	....	37	....	33.89
Lick Creek	Conard Feezor, Silver Hill	J. L. Snider, Silver Hill	8	60	68	1	100	75	6	40	....	4.00
New Friendship	F. Z. Wilson, Winston-Salem, R. 5.	Orville Wilson, Winston-Salem, R. 5	4	38	41	1	....	50	12	25	1	.....
Orphanage	N. B. Moore, Thomasville	Robt. Watkins, Thomasville	14	425	439	1	....	440	12	400	22	.....
Pine Meeting House	R. K. Williams, Linwood	Miss Carrie Barnes, Linwood	16	149	165	1	....	378	12	43	1	50.00
Rich Fork	.....	J. Kennedy, Thomasville	7	80	87	1	....	81	12	60	....	12.50
Reed's Cross Roads	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Stoner's Grove	J. D. Lookabill, Linwood	Carl E. Lookabill, Linwood	8	70	78	1	....	60	12	45	....	14.00
Summerville	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	Mrs. Annie Summey, Chandler	6	30	36	1	....	40	6	25	....	2.50
Thomasville	A. Johnson, Thomasville	C. C. Hooks, Thomasville	9	153	162	1	....	....	12	79	....	32.54
Wallburg	Prof. H. W. Early, Wallburg	M. D. Williams, Wallburg	7	75	82	1	....	90	12	70	12	13.54
Totals	.....	.....	167	2003	2169	20	300	2329	192	1376	37	359.47
Totals reported 1908	.....	.....	172	2125	2398	24	375	1949	219	1441	120	368.35
Totals reported 1907	.....	.....	158	1616	1772	24	375	2191	219	1441	120	550.46

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICES
Abbott's Creek	Thomas Carrick	High Point.
Asheboro	J. D. Bowen.....	Asheboro.
Center Hill	S. D. Swaim.....	Lexington.
Denton	.....	.....
Gravel Hill	G. W. Henderson.....	Bland.
Holloways	S. D. Swaim.....	Lexington.
Jersey	S. D. Swaim.....	Lexington.
Lexington	A. K. Wright.....	Lexington.
Liberty	W. J. Laffoon.....	High Point.
Lick Creek	.....	.....
New Friendship	Thomas Carrick.....	High Point.
Orphanage	T. S. Crutchfield.....	Thomasville.
Pine Meeting House...	S. D. Swaim.....	Lexington.
Reed's Cross Roads....	.....	.....
Rich Fork	T. S. Crutchfield.....	Thomasville.
Stoner's Grove.....	Henry Sheets	Lexington.
Summerville	W. J. Laffoon.....	High Point.
Taylor's Grove.....	L. W. Harris.....	Eldorado.
Thomasville	T. S. Crutchfield.....	Thomasville.
Wallburg	Thomas Carrick	High Point.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Ass ciation.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who a members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within th Associational district, and of the three delegates from each churc in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produc letters from their respective churches, showing their appointmer as delegates.

4th. The Associational session shall be held at least once a yea

5th. The officers shall be Moderator and Clerk and if deeme expedient by the Association, a Treasurer likewise.

6th. The Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk sha continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The Association shall be clothed with authority only t advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interes but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in referenc to their own government or internal polity.

8th. A committee of arrangements, consisting of three member shall be appointed on the first day of each session, to prepare an report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for th consideration and action of the Association; and the said con

ttee shall report promptly on the morning of the second day of
e Association.
9th. (As amended) Baptist ministers, not members of the Asso-
ıtion, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may
present at any session of the body, may, on invitation of the
dy, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.
10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed
Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute
quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction
th the Missionary Boards of the Baptist State Convention of
ɔrth Carolina, direct the missionary operations of this Association.
11th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless
herwise ordered by the Association.
12th. This Constitution may be altered only at an annual session
this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body
esent.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. This Association shall meet punctually each day at the
ɔur appointed, and on the appearance of a quorum, the Modera-
r shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.
2nd. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions
points of order, subject to an appeal from his decision to the
ssociation.
3rd. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote only in case of an
ual division of the Association.
4th. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order,
ıless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall
ıve called another member to the chair.
5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion,
ldress themselves to the Moderator.
6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the
oderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the
ɔor.
7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the
ssociation without its leave.
8th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received
ıt to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to post-
ɔne to a day certain, to commit, or to amend, which several mo-
ɔns shall have precedence to the order in which they stand here
rrayed.
9th. All committees, unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of
ıree members only.
10th. A committee shall be appointed on the first day of every
ssion to designate ministers to preach during the session of the
ssociation.
11th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Modera-
r, unless it receive a second.
12th. No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless
y a vote of two-thirds of the body.
13th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question
ıless by consent of the Association.
14th. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly
the Association on the second day of every session.

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, SEPTEMBER, 1910.

W. S. Adderton.....Denton, N. C.
Lee Carrick .....Linwood, N. C.
T. S. Crutchfield.....Thomasville, N. C.
O. A. Keller.....Wallburg, N. C.
M. L. Kesler.....Thomasville, N. C.
M. J. Leach.....Lassiter, N. C.
H. Morton .....Thomasville, N. C.
J. D. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.
Henry Sheets .....Lexington, N. C.
S. D. Swaim.....Lexington, N. C...

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green,
P. S. Vann, P. M. Snider.

Proceedings.

THOMASVILLE, N. C.,
September 6, 1910.

The seventy-seventh annual session of the Liberty Baptist Association met at the Thomasville Orphanage on September 6, 1910.

At 11:00 in the morning, the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. O. A. Keller. His theme was "Faithfulness."—Rev. 2:10.

The Association was adjourned for two hours for dinner.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION—2:00 O'CLOCK.

Prayer was offered by G. E. Lineberry. Archibald Johnson and J. T. Valentine were appointed to read the letters from the churches.

The delegates from the churches were as follows:

Abbott's Creek—C. H. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, W. D. Spurgeon.
Center Hill—C. A. Owen, A. V. Miller, Isaac Yarboro, E. D. Jarratt.
Denton—W. H. Dickens, J. R. Newsome, J. P. Holloman.
Gravel Hill—W. A. Strickland, B. I. Sheets.
Holloway's—B. R. Cross, D. R. Beaublossom, J. A. Carrick.
Jersey—O. F. Tate, W. C. Roach, W. F. Miller.
Lexington—W. G. Fitzgerald, G. W. Miller, T. I. Warfford, B. F. Ausband.
Liberty—H. P. May, D. H. Hefler, Gains Furr, N. T. Kindley.
Lick Creek—John Rogers, N. R. Kinney.
New Friendship—B. F. Charles, F. Z. Wilson, Lender Newsome
Orphanage—S. H. Averitt, V. Wilson, Robert Watkins.
Piney Meeting House—R. K. Williams, Lacy Weston, W. H. Lomax.
Reed's Cross Roads—D. C. Craver, J. M. Myers, J. W. Massey.
Rich Fork—Robert Bowen, Thomas H. Small, Hugh Carter.
Stoner's Grove—B. F. Roach, C. H. Beck, J. I. Warfford.
Summerville—J. A. Buie, C. B. Wall.
Taylor's Grove—A. H. Michael, C. L. Bailey, William Loftin.
Thomasville—L. E. Teague, D. H. Morton, A. Johnson.
Wallburg—G. W. Wall, C. C. Smith, J. B. Motsinger.

On motion, Archibald Johnson was instructed to cast the vote to elect Henry Sheets, Moderator, and S. H. Averitt, Treasurer of the Association.

On motion, Smith's Grove Church was received into the Association. The Association voted to read only those church letters presented on the first day of the meeting.

The following visiting brethren were recognized: E. L.

Middleton, C. M. White, T. W. Chambliss, G. E. Lineberry, A. L. Betts and J. D. Bowen.

R. K. Williams read the

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Believing that the Sunday School is one of the greatest factors in the salvation of the world in connection with the church, we suggest that this Association lay great stress on the Sunday School work.

Since it is necessary to have our best informed fellowmen as leaders and teachers in order to secure the best results in temporal things, and realizing the importance of the Sunday School work we believe that we should select our best informed and most consecrated fellow Christian workers as officers and teachers in this work.

Therefore, we recommend that our Sunday Schools select the best informed and most consecrated Christians available as officers and teachers in the Sunday Schools.

We want consecrated leaders because their lives are set up as examples. We want well informed and experienced leaders because it is necessary that the lessons be presented in a way to interest the students in order to secure the best results.

Believing that the pastors of the several churches are the individual, spiritual advisers of the leaders in all things pertaining to the church work and feeling that the Sunday Schools in our rural districts are, to some extent, neglected by the pastors, we suggest that the pastors of the several churches make it convenient to get in close touch with the officers and teachers of the Sunday Schools in their respective churches.

We heartily endorse the literature of our Sunday School Board and commend the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children for the light that comes from them each week on the lesson.

Respectfully submitted,
R. K. WILLIAMS,
J. T. VALENTINE,
Committee.

The report was discussed by E. L. Middleton, and adopted with a change of the wording of the sentence "The Sunday School is the greatest factor in the salvation of the world," by inserting "One of" between "is" and "the".

On motion, it was agreed to take a special collection for Sunday School Missions and the Clerk was directed to prepare a column for pledges for this object.

The action of the Liberty Union meeting in making the Spring meeting a Sunday School Convention was approved by the Association.

Thomas Carrick read the

REPORT ON THE THOMASVILLE ORPHANAGE.

A little more than twenty-five years ago the first meeting of the Orphanage Association was held under the memorable Hickory Tree. This tree was surrounded by a brush arbor. This meeting

was to lay plans and devise means for the building of The Thomasville Baptist Orphanage.

From that day until this the work has gone on till now this Institution shelters and cares for about 400 orphans. The work has grown marvelously. First under the leadership of the lamented J. H. Mills for ten years. Then under the management of J. B. Boone for ten years more. Brother Boone has also been taken from our midst and we mourn our loss. Brother M. L. Kesler the present general manager has proved himself a worthy successor of Mills and Boone. With the hearty co-operation of the brethren and sisters and the blessings of the Lord who can tell what this Orphanage is to be in the near future? But we are not to lose sight of the fact that there is a demand for food and clothing every day in the year and the churches and friends of helpless Orphans must constantly rally to their support. As the Orphanage grows new needs arise and new obligations must be met. Just now we need the Industrial Building for the training of our boys. We also need more room that the number of children may be increased and that the demands upon us may be met.

Your Committee would recommend that as far as possible all our churches hold a thanksgiving service and take a special collection for the Orphanage. We would recommend also that all of our Sunday Schools take a collection, at least once a month, for this cause. We would urge our churches to make their pledge as large as possible to aid in meeting the demands of this growing Institution.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS CARRICK,
C. A. OWEN,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Thomas Carrick, J. M. Hilliard, T. W. Chambliss, M. L. Kesler and S. H. Averitt. Pledges were taken amounting to $470.00.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to complete the program for the order of business: Archibald Johnson, O. A. Keller, N. R. Teague.

The Moderator appointed the following committee on Sunday School Work: S. H. Averitt, C. M. Wall, G. W. Miller.

W. G. Fitzgerald and Berry R. Cross were appointed committee on Finance:

By request of the Association, Thomas Carrick preached for the night session.

WEDNESDAY—Morning Session.

9:30 to 10:00 J. D. Bowen conducted devotional exercises.

At 10:00 o'clock the Moderator called the Association to order.

The Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

Center Hill, Lick Creek and Taylor's Grove churches presented letters and the same letters were referred to the committee on Digest of Letters.

The following visiting brethren were recognized: R. T. Vann, Hight C. Moore and F. W. Hancock.

The committee reported the following Order of Business, and the same was adopted:

Wednesday.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises. Miscellaneous business.
10:15 a. m.—Education; Liberty-Piedmont Institute; Ministerial Education.

Afternoon.

2:00 p. m.—Home Missions.
3:00 p. m.—Biblical Recorder.
3:30 p. m.—Temperance.
4:00 p. m.—Obituaries.
8:00 p. m.—Our Colleges.
Adjournment.

Thursday.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises; Miscellaneous Business.
10:15 a. m.—Woman's Work.
11:00 a. m.—Foreign Missions.
2:00 p. m.—Ministerial Relief.

It was voted to take fifteen minutes time, as the time allotted for the report on Temperance, to replace the one hundred and fifty dollars borrowed to pay for the printing of The History of Liberty Association.

S. H. Averitt read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

No question of more vital importance confronts us than the education of our children. It is better that they be educated in a State school than in no school at all, but it is much better that they receive their preparatory and college training in our denominational schools than anywhere else in the world. And we have no excuse for failing to patronize our own schools. In the Liberty Association we have an institution, the Liberty-Piedmont Institute, that in its equipment, its teaching force and its effective and thorough work is hardly surpassed by any school of its class in the State. It has reached a crisis in its history. It is staggering under a burden of debt that must be lifted. Every church in this body ought to find joy in helping to set it free from financial bondage and sending on its glorious way to serve the denomination and the State.

Wake Forest College is entitled to our loyalty and our love. Its work has been of surpassing value. Our boys should all go there.

Meredith College is doing a service in uplifting our young womanhood, the value of which no one can measure. It is making no profit. Every dollar it earns is expended on the denomination. No

individual is growing rich off its dividends. The high standard it has set makes it an expensive school, but when the quality of its work is considered it is the wisest investment a parent can make to put his daughter under its care. She gets full value for her money.

On the education board at Wake Forest there are 65 ministerial students. These young men are struggling to equip themselves for this high calling. In contributing to this cause we are not helping the men but the minister. The little lift we give these young preachers will yield a rich and ever increasing dividend.

S. H. AVERETT,
A. R. SNIDER,
Committee.

The report was discussed by S. H. Averitt, Thomas Carrick, G. E. Lineberry, Livingston Johnson, Hight C. Moore and M. L. Kesler.

Pledges amounting to $97.50 were taken and the report was adopted.

The report on State Missions not being presented, it was voted to discuss the subject without the report, and to insert the report in the minutes, without adoption as soon as it is received. State Missions were discussed by Livingston Johnson and M. L. Kesler:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

(In the absence of a written report for this year, we insert the last year's report.)

The work of State Missions has been emphasized by the Baptists of North Carolina to a greater or less degree for the last one hundred years.

One of the fundamental objects in view in the organization of the Baptist State Convention was that of supplying the destitute sections of the State with the preaching of the gospel. This work has gone on in its organized form for more than three quarters of a century.

The work of State Missions has not been uniform in its success from the beginning. For many years the means and men for carrying on this work were limited and the success of the State Mission work was variable. For the last thirty years or more the progress has been steady, and the increase in means and missionaries have advanced all along the lines until now we have reached the highest success in the history of State Mission work.

The number of missionaries this year is 148; number baptized by missionaries last year 2,047; the amount to be raised for State Missions this year, $40,000. Yet there is great need to enlarge the work. It is estimated that some 600,000 adults in our State are unconverted, that is about half of our adult population. We need more money and more men to press forward in this work.

I am not definitely informed as to the work in this Association for this year but am sure that good work is being done, but there are still many destitute sections that ought to have preaching with a view to organizing churches.

Much has been done but much more needs to be done. The work grows upon us year by year.

Will not the churches of our Association and the churches all over the State awake to the importance of the work of State Missions. As the State Mission work advances so will all the other interests of the Convention prosper.

T. S. Crutchfield moved to inaugurate a campaign by the pastors conferring together, to increase the amounts of the collections for the different objects of the Convention and the motion was carried.

Pledges on State Missions were taken amounting to $411.50.

The Moderator appointed the following committees to report at session of 1911:

To Nominate the Executive Board of the Association—O. A. Keller, B. I. Sheets, D. C. Craver.
On Time, Place and Preacher for the Session of 1911—C. M. Wall, J. M. Hilliard, S. H. Averitt.
On Foreign Missions—Thomas Carrick, N. R. Teague.
On Home Missions—S. H. Averitt, T. H. Small.
On State Missions—G. W. Miller, W. G. Fitzgerald.
On Biblical Recorder—Archibald Johnson, J. T. Valentine.
On Orphanage—C. M. Wall, Branson Charles.
On Sunday Schools—J. D. Newton, D. C. Craver.
On Minister's Relief—J. M. Hilliard, Jeff Lanning.
On Temperance—Thomas Carrick, P. M. Snider.
On Obituaries—Berry R. Cross, B. Frank Roach.
On Woman's Work—T. S. Crutchfield, O. A. Keller.
On Ministerial Education—S. D. Swaim, R. K. Williams.
On Sunday School Work in Association—S. H. Averitt, G. W. Miller, C. M. Wall.

Adjourned with prayer by C. M. White.

WEDNESDAY—2:30 P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by B. W. Parham.

C. M. Wall read the

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER.

Any nation, state, body or order to be successful and progressive must be well organized, and the chief agency through which this unity may be thoroughly established is to have some medium through which the body as a whole keep in close touch and sympathy with the work that the groups and individuals in the body are doing. It is the greatest organizing factor known. Now this medium for the Baptist people in North Carolina is The Biblical Recorder. It has been our chief agency for expression for the past seventy-five years. Through it we can reach our people every week and in this way promote general harmony and fill them with the proper zeal and enthusiasm for our work. The more

we study and give our attentions to an object, the greater our interest in this object will become. Now we should strive and have it as one chief aim to place the Recorder in every Baptist home in the State, so that the people will turn their attention and thoughts to the work. As they begin to learn what we are doing, we will see a new enthusiasm in our people and gradually as their interest increases they will fall in line with the work and then our principles will advance and success will come easier. Now the pastors especially can be influential in bringing about these conditions. It should be one great aim and is a duty of every pastor to place the Recorder in every home in his pastorate. He has or should have the confidence of the people in his church or churches and he is the proper person to do this work individually.

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. WALL, For Committee.

C. M. Wall, A. L. Betts, O. A. Keller, Archibald Johnson, B. W. Parham, G. W. Miller and Henry Sheets discussed the report and it was adopted.

The committee on Time and Place reported as follows:

Time—Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1911.
Place—Abbott's Creek Church.
Preacher—T. S. Crutchfield. Alternate—Jeff Lanning.

C. M. WALL,
J. M. HILLIARD,
S. H. AVERITT,
Committee.

One hundred and fifty dollars was raised to repay the money borrowed for the printing of the History of Liberty Association.

C. H. Teague read the

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Another year has passed and with its passing some of our number have quit their work on earth, and gone to their reward.

However, none of our Ministerial Brethren or active laymen (as reported by the delegates) have been called except Brother J. H. Walser, who was a faithful member of Reeds X Roads church.

Respectfully submitted,
H. MORTON,
C. H. TEAGUE,
Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

T. S. Crutchfield read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The scheme of missions outlined by our Lord and Master takes in the whole world. The commission to carry the gospel to the whole world obligates you and me. If we are not actively engaged in the missionary enterprise, we are taking part in a rebellion against our Lord's command.

The place of beginning, the Master said, should be Jerusalem, then continuing through Judea, and Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth. Our Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria are in the United States. Are we—you and I—doing what Christ would have us to do in conquering and holding our country for Him? We bear the name of a Christian nation. But out of a population of ninety millions, there are only about twenty millions that are members of evangelical churches. This looks as if the work in our Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria is being neglected somewhere.

And the demand for extensive and persistent evangelization increases with each year. Imigrants, the most of whom are non-Christian, flock to our shores at the rate of a million a year. And perhaps twice as many of our own people migrate from one section of the country to another and thus are found in new environments with no religious influence to bear upon them, in many cases; and Baptist influence in these new environments is rarer still. The most of this vast and new-made missionary territory lies within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, or in the territory where our Home Board is now operating. So we see that the responsibility of giving the gospel, as we understand it, to millions of people rests upon Southern Baptists.

I quote the following from a representative of the Home Mission Board: "Southern Baptists must take a large part in saving the lost of America. We hold the gospel in its purity. Since we have so much to give in making good Americans, while at the same time we make Christians, we are under the deeper obligation to do large things. Because we are more numerous than any other Christian body in the South, our obligation is greater than any other."

In recognition of this great obligation, we have begun to do more than in former days, and God has shown His approval by abundantly blessing our efforts. The labors of the missionaries of our Home Board have been blessed with a larger fruitage than that shown by the reports of similar mission boards. Our Home Board reported last year 27,426 baptisms and 52,910 additions to churches through the labors of missionaries supported wholly or in part by it. No other mission board reported results one-half as large as these. And no home mission board in America, so far as has been ascertained, had results more than one-third as large, though several expended four times as much in the work.

The receipts of the Board increase each year now, and the increase in receipts is fully equalled by an increase in additions to the membership of our churches as indicated above. This year the Southern Baptist Convention is asking for $400,000 to be raised for the work committed to it. Of this amount $26,000 is apportioned to our State. We ought to raise every cent of it, for we are well able to do it, and the work demands it.

Your committee recommends:

1. That our pastors preach upon the magnitude and importance of Home Missions to each of their churches at least once a year.
2. That each church take at least one regular collection for this object each year, and that special effort be made next year to increase the amount of our contributions to this object to something like comport with the amount given to Foreign Missions.
3. That pastors endeavor, by their own personal efforts or through some member of the church appointed for the purpose, to place a number of copies of The Home Field in each church.

4. That churches and pastors be encouraged to make a large use of the Home Board's informing tracts and sample copies of The Home Field, both of which are free for the asking.

The address of the Home Mission Board is No. 723 Austell Building, Atlanta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. CRUTCHFIELD,
For Committee.

After the report was discussed by Livingston Johnson, pledges were taken amounting to $218.75, and the report was adopted.

The Association was adjourned to meet at 8:00 o'clock to-night.

Evening Session.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 8:00 p. m. and prayer was offered by F. W. Hancock.

R. T. Vann delivered a forceful address on Education.

Archibald Johnson offered the following resolution, and it was adopted:

Whereas, a movement is to be inaugurated at the Baptist State Convention in Hendersonville to raise $150,000 for Meredith College.

Resolved, That we heartily commend the movement and pledge our earnest efforts in its behalf.

F. W. Hancock made a short talk in behalf of Oxford Seminary.

The following were elected delegates to the Baptist State Convention: C. M. Wall, G. W. Miller, S. H. Averitt.

C. M. Wall was elected to represent the Association in the State Board of Missions.

Archibald Johnson was elected a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and alternate Henry Sheets.

Pastor Holmes, of the Thomasville Methodist Church, was recognized and welcomed among us.

Jeff Lanning was appointed to conduct devotional exercises at 9:00 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Adjourned with prayer by O. A. Keller.

THURSDAY—Morning Session.

9:00 a. m., Devotional exercises were conducted by Jeff Lanning.

The Moderator called the Association to order at ten o'clock a. m. Prayer by R. T. Vann.

Temperance was discussed by J. M. Hilliard, F. W. Hancock.

THE REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Since intemperance is one of the greatest, if not the greatest evil of the times, and since there is a determined effort on the part of the friends of intemperance to invade our territory by establishing near beer saloons, which are often blind tigers with thousand of eyes, and by shipping whiskey and other intoxicants in unlimited quantities into our territory; and in view of the fact that North Carolina has an excellent prohibition law, and because there is a sentiment abroad that prohibition does not prohibit, we recommend that the Baptists of this Association stand by our officers and encourage them in every way possible in the enforcement of our present prohibitory laws; and further, that we encourage our people not to vote for any man who is not in favor of law enforcement.

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. KELLER,
A. JOHNSON, Committee.

The above report was adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to have this report printed in the county papers.

Archibald Johnson read the

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The Liberty Association has been wonderfully blessed by the work and influence of the Woman's Missionary Societies within its bounds. Not only has a goodly sum of money been raised for the various objects; but the mission spirit has been greatly stimulated in every section where these agencies have been established.

Formerly the organized effort of our women for the promotion of the Lord's Kingdom was looked upon with some disfavor. Here and there were brethren, and even churches that looked with suspicion upon this work, but happily the sentiment in favor of Missionary Societies has rapidly changed until there is hardly a vestige of the old time senseless prejudice left.

The smile of the Lord has rested signally upon the consecrated labor and sacrifice of our Baptist women. Their work in the State Convention has come to be a tremendous factor in our missionary operations throughout the State, and our mission boards, State, Home and Foreign, are leaning more and more upon the contributions of our sisters.

No church that fosters a true Woman's Missionary Society can fail to feel the missionary impulse that it invariably produces. It is a great awakener. It stirs to life and activity the dormant missionary spirit, and leads the way to larger things for the whole church.

We look with high hope for gracious results from our Woman's Work in the years to come. The Sunbeam bands that naturally spring to life in the atmosphere of our Missionary Societies mean much for the future. The children breathe the breath of missions from their mothers, and when they grow up into manhood and womanhood will feel the weight of the Christians obligation.

We would put on record our earnest approval of what our women are doing, and commend them and their gracious work to every church within our bounds.

Respectfully submitted,
ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,
P. S. VANN,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Archibald Johnson, Henry Sheets, O. A. Keller, H. Morton, Livingston Johnson.

The report was adopted.

O. A. Keller read the

FINANCIAL REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association met with the Orphanage Society at 9:30 a. m., September 7, 1910.

The following reports will show the contributions from the different Societies during the year:

Lexington W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 25.65
Home Missions	94.45
State Missions	25.00
Total to Missions	$ 145.10
Other objects	21.85
Total contributed	$ 166.95
Thomasville W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 48.46
Home Missions	36.20
State Missions	64.29
Total for Missions	$ 148.95
Other objects	5.00
Total contributed	$ 153.95
Orphanage W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 16.75
Home Missions	17.86
Total contributions	$ 34.61
Wallburg W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 11.05
Home Missions	11.40
State Missions	17.15
Total contributed	$ 39.60
Jersey W. M. S.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 3.75
Home Missions	4.00
State Missions	7.09
Total contributed to Missions	$ 14.84
Other objects	18.30
Total contributed	$ 33.14

Lexington Y. W. A.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 2.00
Home Missions	1.60
Total contributed	$ 3.60
Thomasville Y. W. A.:	
Foreign Missions	$ 3.63
Home Missions	5.35
State Missions	65
Total contributed	$ 9.63
Lexington Sunbeams:	
Foreign Missions	$ 1.65
Home Missions	4.00
State Missions	6.50
Total contributed	$ 12.15
Thomasville Sunbeams:	
Foreign Missions	$ 2.42
Home Missions	6.51
State Missions	4.29
Amount in Treasury	68
Total contributed	$ 13.90
Wallburg Sunbeams:	
Foreign Missions	$ 7.92
Home Missions	4.60
Total contributed	$ 12.52
Reed's X Roads Sunbeams:	
Foreign Missions	$ 65
Home Missions	65
State Missions	60
Total contributed	$ 1.90
Grand total contributed through the W. M. S., Y. W. A. and Sunbeam Bands	$ 481.95

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we miss the presence of our faithful brother, Robert S. Green, and we pray that he may soon be restored to health.

The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the Orphanage urge the necessity of a church building for the Orphanage to be erected on its grounds; be it

Resolved, That we the churches of the Liberty Association undertake to raise not less than $500.00 during the next year, the amounts to be apportioned among the churches by a committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator. S. H. Averitt to be chairman of said committee.

The Moderator appointed the following as the committee to make this apportionment: S. H. Averitt, C. M. Wall, G. W. Miller.

Archibald Johnson read the following:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Our old ministers who have worn themselves out in the service of the Master are entitled to our sympathy and support, and sympathy without support is an empty thing. We urge every church at some Sabbath near the happy Christmas times to send up a Christmas gift for the benefit of these faithful soldiers of the Cross.

On motion, it was agreed to hold the next Union meeting at Reed's Church.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we heartily thank the Orphanage and the surrounding community for the excellent entertainment we have received, and the faithful attendance and the excellent conduct in the Association by the children of the Orphanage.

The committee nominated the following members for the Executive Board: R. K. Williams, C. M. Wall, R. S. Green, P. S. Vann, P. M. Snider.

S. H. Averitt submitted the following

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

State Missions	$ 81.75
Foreign Missions	38.24
Home Missions	59.41
Education (Ministerial)	69.73
Ministerial Relief	48.98
Minute Fund	30.83
Liberty-Piedmont Institute	25.00
Total received	$ 353.94

Disbursements.

State Missions	$ 81.75
Foreign Missions	38.24
Home Missions	59.41
Education (Ministerial)	69.73
Ministerial Relief	48.98
Minute Fund	30.83
Liberty-Piedmont Institute	25.00
Total disbursed	$ 353.94

The report was received.

The committee nominated G. W. Miller and M. L. Kesler trustees of Liberty-Piedmont Institute, and they were elected.

Moved and carried, that the Clerk be allowed ten dollars

for his services and that he is instructed to have five hundred copies of the Minutes printed.

The Clerk was directed to put an advertisement of Liberty-Piedmont Institute on the last page of the Minutes.

G. W. Miller read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Foreign Mission Board is engaged in doing mission work on the following fields, viz: Argentina, Brazil, Italy, Mexico, Africa, Japan and China.

At our Convention in Baltimore last May the Foreign Mission Board reported 246 missionaries, 467 native helpers, 114 of these being Ordained Ministers.

There were 3,223 baptisms on our mission fields last year; making a total membership of 19,239. Our contributions to Foreign Missions last year was $501,058.84. Our plans for this year are to give $600,000 for Foreign Missions, and with the blessings of God we surely should not give less.

There seems to be a great awakening among all christian denominations on the subject of Foreign Missions. There must be a cause for this; let us notice a few things that would seem to indicate a reason for this revival of the spirit of Foreign Missions:

1st. Never before in the history of the world has there been such an opening for the spread of the gospel. The doors of every nation are wide open, and the "Macedonian call" is ringing in our ears from every quarter of the globe. Even old Spain has recently made a successful effort to open her doors and give religious liberty to her people, and that in the face of all the opposition that could be produced by the "powers of darkness," vested in the Vatican at Rome. Surely this is naught but the hand of God writing the doom of papacy on the wall.

2nd. Then there was never before so many men and women who are ready to go to the foreign field. In all our colleges and seminaries to-day there are a host of consecrated young people, whose hearts have been touched with the fire from off the altar of God, and they are saying "Here am I, send me." This is a call to us—a call from the heathen—a call from the missionary ready to go, and a call from God.

3rd. The wonderful success of our missionaries on the field is another strong incentive to us to increase our efforts. More baptisms this year on the foreign field than ever before; all our little churches overflowing with anxious hearers, and many being turned away for want of room—turned away from hearing life-giving messages of Jesus Christ!

Every foreign field is calling for more men: "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." And also, let us pray that He may use us. As the conditions are now—with a world-wide open door—the missionary saying "Here am I"—God saying "Go into all the world"—the heathen saying, "Come over and help us"—there is nothing for us to do, but to go or disobey God. "If you love me, ye will keep my commandments."

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. MILLER,

For Committee.

The report was discussed by G. W. Miller, R. T. Vann, J. M. Hilliard.

Pledges were taken amounting to $401.50.

Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK OF THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

The fourth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association met with the Orphanage Society at Thomasville, September 7, 1910. On account of some scarlet fever in the vicinity of Wallburg, it was decided that this meeting should be held in conjunction with the Liberty Association.

Mrs. P. S. Vann, the Associational Vice-President, called the meeting to order and all joined in singing "Worship the King." Mrs. Vann read the fifth chapter of 1st John and offered prayer.

Miss Sallie L. McCracken was asked to act as Secretary of the Association.

Mrs. M. L. Kesler, being detained at home by sickness, the address of welcome was delivered by Miss Elva Wall, of the Orphanage Society. Mrs. Vann responded in behalf of the Union, in the absence of Miss Motsinger who had not arrived.

The roll was called and delegates from the following Societies responded: W. M. S. of Lexington, Jersey, Orphanage, Thomasville, and Wallburg; also Y. W. A. of Lexington. We now have in our Association six W. M. S., two Y. W. A. and five Sunbeam Bands. Mrs. J. D. Newton reported the organization of a Sunbeam Band at Rich Fork.

The delegates gave reports from the Societies after which the Vice-President made her report.

Mrs. T. S. Crutchfield read a paper on State Missions. Mrs. Vann read a statement from Rev. Livingston Johnson concerning contributions to State Missions, urging that State Mission Day be observed in our Societies.

Nothing being prepared on Foreign Missions, a paper on Home Missions was read by Miss E. G. Hillyard, of Lexington. Attention was called to missionary charts displayed on the board that would be very helpful in the study of Home Missions. These were sent by Dr. Gray, suggesting that the women take more interest in the work of Home Missions.

How to maintain Societies after Organization, a paper sent by Miss Mary Johnson, of Thomasville, was read by Miss Annie Hall.

Mrs. Vann called special attention to four important points mentioned by Miss Johnson necessary to the maintenance of a progressive Society.

The following committees were appointed:

Time and Place—Mrs. W. H. Elliott, Mrs. J. K. Hankins and Miss Luella Snider.

Program—Misses Sallie L. McCracken, and Addie Carlton, Mrs. J. D. Newton and Mrs. W. H. Elliott.

The meeting adjourned at eleven o'clock to hear Rev. Livingston Johnson's address on State Missions before the general Association.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Vice-President called the meeting to order at two o'clock and read a part of the fifteenth chapter of John, after which all present joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer, led by Mrs. F. S. Lambeth, of the W. M. S. of the Thomasville Methodist Church.

The following assistants to the Vice-President were appointed: Mrs. J. D. Newton, Mrs. W. H. Elliott and Mrs. J. K. Hankins.

The Y. W. A. work was then taken up and a paper, Larger Service in The Local Church, Larger Service Looking Towards the Training School, was read by Miss Elva Wall. Miss Louise Turnley, of Lexington, gave a sketch on Our Work for the Year. Mrs. Vann read some clippings from Mrs. J. Yates Killian and Miss Briggs relating to the study of Missions, and emphasized the importance of the Mission Study Classes. Several classes were reported for the year just closing. Some of the books used by these classes were: The Frontier, Servants of the King, Sunrise in the Sunrise Kingdom, and Uganda or the White Man of Work.

A paper, What the Sunbeams are Doing and Their Possibilities for Future Usefulness, was read by Miss Maude Wall.

Miss Isabel Williams' paper, How to Keep up Interest in Sunbeam Societies, was read by Miss Laura Godwin. Mrs. J. D. Newton spoke of the importance of organizing the children into Sunbeam Bands, and urged that special attention be given to this phase of our work. A chain of prayer was offered, in which many of the Ladies joined, asking the guidance in selecting the proper Sunbeam Leader.

A paper on Personal Service was presented by Mrs. DeWitt Morton, of Thomasville.

Miss Louise Turnley offered a resolution of thanks to the Orphanage Society for the entertainment during the Association, which was adopted by the Society.

The Secretary read greetings from Miss Heck to the Union. Plans for holding Missionary Institutes were explained by Mrs. Vann.

The Meeting was thrown open and several members mentioned briefly some good they had gotten from attending this meeting.

The committee on Time and Place made the following report:

Place: Reed's Cross Roads Church.

Time: Fourth Wednesday in August, 1911.

The report was adopted.

After singing "God be with you till we meet again" the meeting was closed with prayer.

PLEDGES FOR 1910-1911.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek.	$15.00	$ 6.00	$13.50	$25.00	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$ 69.00
Center Hill....	6.00	3.00	7.00	.....	1.50	1.00	18.50
Denton	10.50	5.00	10.00	18.50	4.00	3.00	51.00
Gravel Hill....	8.00	4.50	8.00	10.00	1.50	3.00	35.00
Holloway's	20.00	7.00	22.50	20.00	5.00	3.50	78.00
Jersey	22.50	8.00	22.50	20.00	8.00	4.00	85.00
Lexington	50.00	35.00	60.00	50.00	10.00	10.00	215.00
Liberty	5.00	5.00	12.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	36.00
Lick Creek....	10.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	5.00	3.00	64.00
New Friendship	12.50	6.00	11.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	54.50
Orphanage	55.00	35.00	40.00	75.00	20.00	7.50	232.50
Piney Meet'g H.	25.00	10.00	27.50	25.00	5.00	5.00	97.50
Reed's X Roads	15.00	7.00	20.00	20.00	3.00	4.00	69.00
Rich Fork.....	12.50	6.00	10.00	18.00	4.00	2.50	53.00
Smith's Grove.	5.00	2.00	3.00	.....	2.00	1.00	13.00
Stoner's Grove.	10.00	6.00	10.00	11.00	3.00	2.50	42.50
Summerville ..	2.00	1.25	2.50	3.00	.....	1.50	9.25
Taylor's Grove.	2.50	1.00	2.00	.....	1.00	1.00	7.50
Thomasville ...	65.00	35.00	50.00	45.00	7.50	5.00	217.50
Wallburg	60.00	30.00	50.00	80.00	7.00	7.00	234.00
Totals 1910....	411.50	218.75	401.50	470.00	97.50	73.00	1681.75
Totals 1909....	387.00	213.50	406.00	455.50	97.00	67.50	1626.50
Totals 1908....	408.00	215.00	446.25	531.50	106.00	72.50	1779.25
Totals 1907....	387.50	205.00	427.00	463.75	90.50	70.50	1674.75

STATISTICAL TABLE OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1910.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Totals.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Totals.	Gain.	Loss.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.
Abbott's Creek	C. H. Teague, Wallburg	....	....	....	....	1	....	2	3	....	3	55	108	163
Center Hill	C. A. Owen, Lexington	3	3	....	6	....	....	....	....	6	....	27	50	77
Denton	L. A. Tysinger, Denton	10	11	....	21	3	....	3	6	15	6	60	71	131
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	3	....	....	3	2	....	1	3	....	....	12	22	34
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill, Route 1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	1	69	123	192
Jersey	L. A. Smith, Linwood	4	1	....	5	3	....	2	5	....	....	62	87	149
Lexington	O. E. Tucker, Lexington	9	21	....	30	19	56	2	77	....	47	93	168	261
Liberty	J. M. Easter, Thomasville, Route 4	16	1	4	21	1	....	1	2	19	....	59	111	170
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, Silver Hill	....	....	....	....	1	....	2	3	....	3	61	76	137
New Friendship	B. F. Charles, Winston, Route 5	1	....	....	1	3	1	1	4	....	3	41	71	112
Orphanage	C. M. Horrell, Thomasville	53	8	....	61	9	....	....	9	52	....	169	223	392
Pine Meeting House	W. H. Lomax, Jubilee, Route 1	3	1	....	4	34	....	....	34	....	30	80	119	199
Reed's X Roads	D. C. Craver, Lexington, Route 3	10	....	....	10	....	4	1	5	5	....	59	96	155
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	7	....	....	7	4	3	1	8	....	1	42	82	124
Stoner's Grove	O. L. Stoner, Linwood	3	1	....	4	....	1	1	2	....	2	32	34	66
Summerville	Edward Bean, Silver Hill	8	....	....	8	1	....	....	1	7	....	22	48	70
Taylor's Grove	D. M. Summey, Chandler	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	2	....	2	5	9	14
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	15	16	....	31	14	....	3	17	14	....	40	90	130
Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2	5	....	7	3	....	1	4	3	....	49	50	99
Smith's Grove	A. A. Young, Jubilee	11	2	....	13	....	1	....	1	12	....	28	29	57
Totals for 1910		158	70	4	232	98	66	24	187	133	98	1066	1667	2733
Totals for 1909		104	51	8	163	128	12	25	163	82	82	1012	1587	2726
Totals for 1908		275	73	10	385	113	23	21	157	226	59	1061	1641	2702
Totals for 1907		188	68	8	264	63	21	24	108	191	35	1003	1557	2560

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Totals.
Abbott's Creek.	$150.00	$.....	$10.00	$ 7.20	$.....	$15.00	$ 6.00	$13.50	$25.00	$.....	$ 5.00	$ 4.50	$.....	$ 1.75	$ 237.95
Center Hill.....	100.00	24.00	1.00	5.00	.....	10.00	4.00	8.00	3.69	.....	2.48	2.00	11.00	1.00	167.48
Denton	120.00	.....	40.00	66.61	.....	10.00	5.00	10.00	13.02	.....	4.00	3.00	85.00	1.14	356.63
Gravel Hill.....	50.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	8.00	5.50	10.00	10.00	.....	50	1.50	35.00	1.00	125.50
Holloway's	150.00	200.00	20.00	7.00	.....	20.00	7.00	22.50	20.00	.....	5.00	3.50	.....	1.50	465.00
Jersey	150.00	.....	.....	22.86	.....	26.53	12.00	26.25	35.68	.....	8.00	4.00	18.86	2.10	304.18
Lexington	1290.00	1384.60	351.53	143.00	10.00	50.10	114.56	84.24	55.28	10.00	7.98	5.00	.....	.....	3506.24
Liberty	75.00	.....	.....	2.78	.....	5.00	5.00	12.00	10.00	.....	2.00	2.00	40.50	80	154.28
Lick Creek.....	170.00	40.00	22.00	6.25	.....	10.00	5.00	10.22	20.00	.....	2.00	3.00	.....	1.25	288.47
New Friendship	134.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.55	6.00	11.00	20.00	.....	3.00	2.00	.....	1.90	288.55
Orphanage	153.23	.....	.....	.....	.....	55.65	46.85	42.13	100.35	.....	38.21	25.58	.....	2.00	462.00
Pine Meet'g Ho.	200.00	.....	.....	91.72	.....	25.00	10.00	27.50	25.00	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	1.20	319.22
Reed's X Roads	150.00	.....	105.00	14.00	.....	6.00	2.00	18.40	.....	.....	.....	2.48	.....	1.50	299.38
Rich Fork	100.00	.....	25.00	8.00	.....	12.50	6.00	10.00	15.00	.....	4.00	4.00	1.50	.....	186.79
Stoner's Grove.	100.00	150.00	200.00	14.72	.....	10.00	6.00	7.00	10.00	.....	3.00	2.50	.....	1.50	503.22
Summerville ...	60.00	15.00	.....	.....	2.52	2.00	1.00	2.50	2.00	.....	1.00	1.00	.....	50	87.02
Taylor's Grove.	35.00	.....	.....	2.50	.....	2.00	1.50	1.72	4.00	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	47.72
Thomasville ...	310.00	.....	106.82	55.58	.....	85.20	59.98	66.57	56.22	25.00	17.50	10.62	18.50	2.50	811.99
Wallburg	175.00	.....	33.70	.....	.....	55.00	30.00	55.00	65.00	57.00	7.00	6.00	35.00	2.50	518.70
Smith's Grove..	75.00	161.00	5.00	6.00	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	.....	1.00	1.00	33.00	1.00	469.00
Totals for 1910.	3747.23	1974.60	920.05	448.22	12.52	422.53	335.39	440.53	491.24	92.00	116.62	89.68	278.36	25.14	9599.32
Totals for 1909.	3225.10	4134.87	701.60	329.47	17.45	417.42	276.45	463.56	527.66	100.88	119.48	65.49	385.24	21.55	10873.77
Totals for 1908.	3723.25	4023.82	645.71	368.85	10.00	412.88	310.96	456.21	816.47	10.00	98.18	58.47	396.91	30.24	11462.95
Totals for 1907.	3261.53	377.20	440.27	294.49	7.50	432.54	252.01	586.28	676.23	20.06	90.91	55.52	893.09	18.49	7146.48

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, AUGUST, 1910.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES.	SECRETARIES. AND POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Total.	Number of Schools.	Number volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from Schools.	Expenses. School
Abbott's Creek..	D. S. Hayworth, High Point,r.f.d.	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point,r.f.d.	6	68	68	1	....	75	12	40	....	$ 7.20
Center Hill	C. A. Owen, Lexington.....	S. E. Jarrett. Lexington.....	7	60	67	1	....	60	12	40	....	5.00
Denton	W. B. Russell, Denton.....	D. R. Hedrick. Denton.....	9	110	119	1	110	150	12	47	....	66.61
Gravel Hill	W. A. Stricklin,New Hope Acad'y	Mrs. Bertha Sheets, Riley's Store	4	48	52	1	....	46	12	25	2	5.00
Holloway's	B. R. Cross, Silver Hill, Route 1	H. J. Palmer, Silver Hill.....	6	40	46	1	50	320	12	30	....	7.00
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood.....	J. W. Penninger, Linwood.....	9	71	80	1	....	120	12	52	2	22.86
Lexington	G. W. Miller, Lexington.....	A. E. Sheets, Lexington.....	34	438	472	3	100	450	12	268	5	143.00
Liberty	H. P. May, Thomasville.....	Lola Miller, Thomasville, R. 3..	8	50	58	1	100	....	....	20	8	2.78
Lick Creek.....	N. R. Kinney, Silver Hill.....	J. E. Skeen, Silver Hill.....	8	73	81	1	100	124	6	60	....	6.25
New Friendship..	B. F. Charles, Winston-Salem,R.5	Chas. Shoaf, Winston, Route 5..	4	43	47	1	....	50	12	24	....	.....
Orphanage.....	S. H. Averitte, Thomasville.....	Stanley Hustle, Thomasville....	16	406	422	1	....	422	12	342	53	.....
Pine Meeting Ho.	R. K. Williams, Linwood.....	Miss Carrie Barnes, Linwood...	10	105	115	1	100	167	12	80	2	91.72
Reed's X Roads.	C. H. Fritts, Lexington, Route 3	T. A. Myers, Lexington, R. 3....	8	98	106	1	....	75	12	55	5	14.00
Rich Fork.....	J. D. Newton, Thomasville.....	Mrs. Ivey Fowler, Thomasville..	7	85	92	1	....	35	9	60	....	8.00
Stoner's Grove...	B. F. Roach, Linwood.....	J. J. Warfford, Linwood.....	8	60	68	1	....	75	12	45	3	14.72
Summerville	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Taylor's Grove...	D. M. Summey, Chandler.....	Miss Nancy Owen, Versailles....	6	30	36	1	....	50	6	30	....	2.50
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	C. C. Hooks, Thomasville.....	8	156	164	1	....	256	12	70	12	55.58
Wallburg	K. R. Curtis, Wallburg.....	Erastus Kelly, Wallburg.....	13	69	82	1	....	200	12	50	....	.....
Smith's Grove...	G. A. Clement, Jubilee.....	H. W. Grubb, Jubilee.....	8	98	106	1	....	54	12	40	....	6.00
Totals for 1910..	.....	.....	170	2108	2281	21	560	2629	201	1378	92	448.22
Totals for 1909..	.....	.....	167	2003	2169	20	300	2329	192	1376	37	359.47
Totals for 1908..	.....	.....	172	2125	2398	24	375	1949	219	1441	120	368.35

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICES.
Abbott's Creek	Thomas Carrick	High Point.
Center Hill	S. D. Swaim	Lexington.
Denton	S. D. Swaim	Lexington.
Gravel Hill	G. W. Henderson	Pon Tap.
Holloways	S. D. Swaim	Lexington.
Jersey	O. A. Keller	Wallburg.
Lexington	A. K. Wright	Lexington.
Liberty	W. J. Laffoon	High Point.
Lick Creek	Thomas Carrick	High Point.
New Friendship	O. A. Keller	Wallburg.
Orphanage	T. S. Crutchfield	Thomasville.
Pine Meeting House	S. D. Swaim	Lexington.
Reed's X Roads	J. M. Hilliard	Raleigh, Route 5.
Rich Fork	T. S. Crutchfield	Thomasville.
Stoner's Grove	Henry Sheets	Lexington.
Summerville	W. J. Laffoon	High Point.
Taylor's Grove	Jeff Lanning	Denton.
Thomasville	T. S. Crutchfield	Thomasville.
Wallburg	O. A. Keller	Wallburg.
Smith's Grove	S. D. Swaim	Lexington.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

1st. This Association shall be called the Liberty Baptist Association.

2nd. It shall be composed of the ordained ministers who are members of, and those who may have pastoral charges within the Associational district, and of the three delegates from each church in the district aforesaid.

3rd. The said delegates before taking their seats shall produce letters from their respective churches, showing their appointment as delegates.

4th. The Associational session shall be held at least once a year.

5th. The officers shall be Moderator and Clerk and if deemed expedient by the Association, a Treasurer likewise.

6th. The Moderator shall be chosen annually, but the Clerk shall continue in office at the pleasure of the Association.

7th. The Association shall be clothed with authority only to advise the churches touching all things pertaining to their interest, but shall in no case presume to direct or control them in reference to their own government or internal polity.

8th. A committee of arrangements, consisting of three members

shall be appointed on the first day of each session, to prepare and report an order of proceedings; and to suggest topics proper for the consideration and action of the Association; and the said committee shall report promptly on the morning of the second day of the Association.

9th. (As amended) Baptist ministers, not members of the Association, or any visiting brother from sister Associations, who may be present at any session of the body, may, on invitation of the body, take seats and participate in the debates of the Association.

10th. At each session of the Association there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five, three of whom shall constitute a quorum, whose duty it shall be to superintend, and in conjunction with the Missionary Boards of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, direct the missionary operations of this Association.

11th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise ordered by the Association.

12th. This Constitution may be altered only at an annual session of this Association and by a vote of two-thirds of the whole body present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. This Association shall meet punctually each day at the hour appointed, and on the appearance of a quorum, the Moderator shall cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read.

2nd. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to decide all questions or points of order, subject to an appeal from his decision to the Association.

3rd. The Moderator shall be entitled to vote only in case of an equal division of the Association.

4th. He shall not participate in debate except on points of order, unless by unanimous consent of the Association, or until he shall have called another member to the chair.

5th. Members shall in debate, or on rising to make a motion, address themselves to the Moderator.

6th. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Moderator shall designate the person who shall first occupy the floor.

7th. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Association without its leave.

8th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence to the order in which they stand here arrayed.

9th. All committees, unless otherwise ordered, shall consist of three members only.

10th. A committee shall be appointed on the first day of every session to designate ministers to preach during the session of the Association.

11th. No motion shall be put to the Association by the Moderator, unless it receive a second.

12th. No rule of order shall be rescinded or suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the body.

13th. No member shall speak more than twice on any question unless by consent of the Association.

14th. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read publicly in the Association on the second day of every session.

Liberty - Piedmont Institute.

This school was established in 1903 by the Liberty Association. Learning of the good the school was doing the Piedmont Association decided, in 1907, to unite with the Liberty Association in supporting the school. Ever since it was established it has done excellent work.

The school is located at Wallburg, N. C., a beautiful little village in Davidson County, eight miles from Winston-Salem, and ten miles from High Point. The village is 960 feet above the sea level. With its pure water and splendid climate there are few sections if any, in the State where the people enjoy better health.

Purpose.

The school was established to sow the seeds of truth in the hearts and minds of the young, causing them to develop into men and women, who will be the stay of the church and State. Liberty-Piedmont aims to bring out the best there is in the student, and to aid him or her in becoming a power in the development of our country. The Trustees elect teachers who have had advantages of the courses in our best Colleges, such as Meredith and Wake Forest, and who have rich experience in their chosen profession. The school aims to broaden and enrich life by cultivating an appreciation of the best things, to bring out the best in the student.

Health.

The health of the student is considered as of primary importance. The locality being healthful and the sanitary conditions excellent, there is no reason why students, who do not violate the laws of health should be sick. In case of sickness, however, the services of a good physician, who lives near the Main Building, can be had at a reasonable cost.

Board.

Students and teachers sit at the same table. The tables are supplied with wholesome, palatable food prepared in the best manner. The students are advised to take their meals in school, however, young men who desire can make arrangements for Club boarding. The price of board is thus reduced to actual cost. Should any one desire to "batch", suitable rooms can be had. Such opportunities are offered so that there is no excuse for any ambitious young man or woman who wants an education to fail in accomplishing such.

To make a success of school life requires hard work and all students who come to our school are expected to do their best. We want working students, we do not want loafers.

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Wallburg, N. C.